

# Reagan stands firm in face of Senate defeat

● The Democrats took control of the US Senate by a majority of 55-45 in the mid-term elections  
● He was heartened by a gain of 10 governorships by the Republican Party, thanks to his personal campaigning  
● President Reagan said defiantly there would be no change in his political programme  
● There was little change in the House of Representatives, where the Democrats already held a majority

From Michael Bixton, Washington

President Reagan was undaunted yesterday by the dramatic Democratic gains in the Senate, which swept away the Republican majority and left the President facing concerted opposition in both Houses of Congress.

The White House insisted there would be no change whatsoever in the President's political agenda. He would continue his policies on reforming the economy, increasing US military strength and seeking arms control with the Russians, for all of which he had the support of the American people. He would also seek to build coalitions on individual issues in Congress to get his policies enacted.

"Of course there will be a change in tactics," Mr Larry Speakes, the White House spokesman, said. But he said Mr Reagan had a history of working successfully with opposition parties.

And in a note of defiance, he said Mr Reagan knew that his long, hard campaigning on behalf of Republican candidates

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An emotional welcome back from one of her pupils for Miss Maureen McGoldrick, the Brent head teacher, suspended for allegedly making a racist remark, on her return to Sudbury Infants School in London yesterday (Photograph: Chris Harris). Report, page 2.

## Serious corrosion in two reactors at Hinkley Point

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The future of ten of Britain's nuclear power stations is in doubt after the discovery of serious corrosion at the two reactors at Hinkley Point A in Somerset.

There are 10 similar Magnox stations in continuous operation in Britain, providing about 8 per cent of the country's electricity. Premature closure of a number would put an enormous strain on the grid and could even lead to power cuts in a hard winter.

In any event the faults at Hinkley will seriously affect the Central Generating Board's plans to extend the life of the older power stations to 30 years.

The fault was found during a regular maintenance shutdown of one reactor of the first-generation Magnox plant. Engineers had believed until now that this particular type of corrosion was impossible.

Government nuclear safety inspectors are examining the affected refuelling system. The Central Electricity Generating Board said yesterday that the defective parts had been isolated, and the reactor restarted.

The same trouble affects the other Magnox reactor at the station, and that is being shut down. Hinkley Point A came into operation 20 years ago.

The safety inspectors are examining Britain's other Magnox atomic power stations for signs of ageing that could lead to their early closure.

The trouble centres on components called standpipes, which are channels in

the concrete roof covering the steel nuclear reactor vessel, which holds the nuclear core. Nuclear fuel rods are slotted through the standpipes, that are also lined with steel.

The steel lining in a number of channels has started to corrode and buckle inwards, making it difficult to load and unload fuel elements.

The faults do not pose a serious threat to workers or the general public. If the pipes did fracture, there would be a leak of radioactive gas but it would not threaten the safety of the reactor itself, as happened at Chernobyl.

Signs of corrosion appeared a year ago, and the CEBB permanently blocked off some standpipes.

A report by nuclear inspectors says: "There is no logical argument for this problem except corrosion. There must be impurities in concrete from chlorides."

In other words, the outside of the steel lining has gone rusty where it touches the concrete. The build-up of rust forces the tube to buckle inwards.

The designers were surprised because they say the concrete is highly alkaline and should prevent corrosion.

The board was hoping to extend the life of the Magnox stations to cover a gap in nuclear power station ordering, while waiting for a decision on the Sizewell public inquiry into proposals to build the first American-type PWR (pressurized water reactor) in Britain, on the Suffolk coast.

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## Tebbit criticism rejected by BBC

By Jonathan Miller, Media Correspondent

Senior officials of the BBC yesterday flatly rejected the allegations of the Conservative Party chairman, Mr Norman Tebbit, that the corporation had been inaccurate and biased in its coverage of the American bombing of Libya in April.

The officials accused Mr Tebbit and Conservative Central Office of making false and seriously misleading accusations against the BBC's television news service, and promised to defend its impartiality and political independence.

At the same time, the BBC made it plain that it wanted to end its dispute with the Conservative Party. It was hoped that its comprehensive defence would dissuade the party from further complaints.

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## Poll boost for Tories in fight to retain power

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

The Conservative Party yesterday emerged from the biggest polling exercise conducted since the last general election with a 3.5 per cent lead over Labour, making them clear favourites to win the next election.

A Marplan poll, conducted for the Press Association, covering 750 representative electors in each of 12 regions, put support for the Conservatives at 41 per cent, Labour 37.5 per cent, SDP/Liberal Alliance 19 per cent, and others 2.5 per cent.

The result of the poll of 9,000 electors will be a blow to the Labour Party and an encouraging fillip to Tory morale on the eve of the autumn statement by Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and what is expected to be the last Queen's Speech in the current Parliament.

The poll is clear confirmation of the Conservative recovery since Parliament began its summer recess in August. Labour had consistently led the polls by as much as 6 per cent all year.

In the five major polls conducted since this year's round of party conferences, the Conservatives have been two points behind Labour in one, one point behind in another, level in a third and leading by 3.5 per cent and 4 per cent in the latest two.

The latest polls still represent a swing to Labour since the last election, when the Conservatives polled 42.4 per cent, Labour 27.6 per cent, the Alliance 25.4 per cent and others 4.6 per cent. However Mr Neil Kinnock's party has nothing like the position it

would need now to have a realistic hope of winning an overall majority.

To be assured of an overall majority, Labour needs a vote of more than 40 per cent, although that could drop to 37 or 38 per cent if the Alliance vote is at 29 per cent or more. However, if the Conservatives take more than 40 per cent of the vote, Labour will need more than 44 per cent to win.

Conservative strategists were delighted by the figures. They had been looking to move back into the lead early next year to be on target for a third election victory.

Conservative MPs were saying last night that the earlier belief in some quarters that there had been an irreversible shift against the Government, on the basis of its spending record on public services and growing public disaffection for the Prime Minister's style, had been confuted.

The poll showed wide regional variations in party support. The Conservatives scored 49 per cent in the South-east and 48 per cent in East Anglia and the South-west, but only 28 per cent in the North and 31 per cent in Yorkshire and Humberside.

Labour had 54 per cent of support in the North, 50 per cent in Yorkshire and Humberside and 45 per cent in the North-west, but sank to 23 per cent in the South-east and 27 per cent in the South-west and 21 per cent in East Anglia.

In Scotland, the poll put Labour support at 49 per cent.

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## Lawson to reveal higher spending

By Rodney Lord and Philip Webster

In his autumn statement today the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, is expected to announce that public spending programmes next year will be higher than originally planned. Final decisions on how to accommodate this overrun will be made at this morning's Cabinet meeting.

The Cabinet faces a combination of options including cutting the reserve, raising the overall total, increasing the level of privatization proceeds and changing some of the assumptions underlying individual spending programmes.

There will be no forecast in the statement about the scope for tax cuts in the Budget. But Mr Lawson is expected to dampen expectations.

At the Conservative Party conference last month the

Chancellor promised that the Government would not go on a spending spree.

Any significant overshoot on the public spending plan will be bound to heighten speculation that the

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Government is clearing the decks for an early general election.

One member of the "Star Chamber" reviewing departmental spending plans said that the pressures caused by the £3.2 billion increase in local authority spending, last week's offer to the teachers, which will cost a further £500 million, and the £1 billion overrun on the social security budget had made it the toughest annual exercise he had known.

## Tomorrow

Gleam in the north?



Boomtown Aberdeen was hard hit by the plunge in oil prices. But hopes are high that the slump is only temporary

## Portfolio Gold

● There is £8,000 to be won today in The Times Portfolio Gold competition, double the usual amount as there was no winner yesterday.  
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## TIMES BUSINESS

### Credit first

The Co-operative Bank is to become the first European bank to pay interest to its Visa credit card-holders with accounts in credit Page 25

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### Celtic out

Celtic went out of the European Cup after losing to Dynamo Kiev, but Dundee United won their UEFA Cup tie against Universitatea Craiova Page 46

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### 12 lessons

Twelve ways in which industrialists can help education to play its part in the economy are detailed in the introduction to today's five-page General Appointments section Pages 35-39

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## Ban on The Times is illegal

By Mark Ellis

Bans on News International publications in public libraries run by three Labour-controlled councils were declared unlawful and quashed in the High Court yesterday after being branded politically inspired and irresponsible.

Local authorities throughout the country were considering lifting similar bans in the wake of the High Court decision announced at 11am yesterday. But in the three London boroughs, some libraries were still banning News International publications pending a meeting of socialist council leaders tomorrow.

Lord Justice Watkins sitting with Mr Justice Kennedy, said the councils deliberately set out to punish News Inter-

national with the weapon of a library ban over a dispute between Mr Rupert Murdoch, the publisher, and 5,500 printworkers.

The councils of Camden, Ealing and Hammersmith and Fulham were "absurd" to maintain that the ban on News International, the publisher of The Times, The Sunday Times, The Sun, The News of the World, The Times Literary Supplement, The Times Educational Supplement and The Times Higher Educational Supplement, was within the spirit and letter of the law.

On the contrary, they had ignored advice that they were acting illegally.

In England about 18 local

authorities are still banning News International titles, excluding the three brought before the court. They are: Birmingham, Barnsley, Brent, Greenwich, Hackney, Haringey, Islington, Kirkcaldy, Knowsley, Lambeth, Lewisham, Manchester, Newham, St Helen's, Salford, Shetfield, Southwark and Waltham Forest.

In Scotland at least five local authorities are still banning the titles from their libraries. They are: Dundee, Dumfries, Falkirk, Glasgow and Stirling.

In Wales, Cynon Valley Borough Council is the only local authority to maintain the ban. Law Report, page 34

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## 'Safer airports



## NEWS SUMMARY

## Boy George will fight £30m case

Boy George, the pop star, will "strenuously" fight the £30 million lawsuit filed against him over the death of a friend, Michael Rudetsky (Our Legal Affairs Correspondent writes).

His solicitors said yesterday that he strongly denied the "ill-founded" allegations. The damages claim, filed by Rudetsky's parents, and to be heard in New York, alleges that the pop star "actively participated" in the death.

Rudetsky, a musician, was found dead at Boy George's home in Hampstead, north London, in August, after injecting heroin.

## Life for baby killer

A teenager was sentenced to youth custody for life yesterday for what a judge described as an horrendous attack on a baby.

Emma Flynn was buried three times after being picked up by the ears, and her head was then smashed against a bedroom wall.

Michael George, aged 19, of Berkeley Crescent, Padstow, near Bury, who was living with Emma's mother, denied murder, but was convicted at Preston Crown Court.

Judge Sanderson Temple, QC, told George: "In a violent rage when obscenely intoxicated you made an horrendous attack on a toddler, 19-months-old."

## Jail after Fine year for claret

Anthony Kelly was jailed for 14 years yesterday for his part in kidnapping merchant banker's wife Jennifer Guinness.

Mr Justice Frank Roe said at Dublin's Circuit Criminal Court that Kelly, aged 43, of Tallaght, Dublin, had played a major role. Yorkshire police want to question Kelly about the murder of a Bradford policeman.

The 1986 Bordeaux vintage should provide top quality wines at 1985 prices, a leading chateau owner said yesterday.

M Jean-Eugene Borie said the quality of the crop was high, and its substantial size should peg prices. "We have to wait till March to know whether this is a great vintage or only a very good one," he said.

## 'Bogus £4,000 claim'

Millican was paid nearly £4,000 in compensation by the FA, at Inverness after cutting and beating himself to bleed as he had been nudged, the Inner London Crown court was told yesterday.

who lies of Brenda Francis caused one innocent man to spend three months in prison awaiting trial for two of the dispiriting nudges, it was alleged.

Miss Francis, aged 34, of Grosvenor Terrace, Camberley, south London, denies six charges of deception. The case continues today.

## Poll win for Whip

Mr Norman Hogg (right), MP for Camberland and Kilsyth, yesterday beat off a challenge for the post of Opposition Chief Whip.

He retained the position by defeating Mr Don Dixon, MP for Jarrow, by 110 votes to 70.



## Milk price to rise

The doorstep price of milk is expected to rise by 1p a pint to 25p in the new year, after an agreement between the Milk Marketing Board and the Dairy Trade Federation to raise the price of raw milk to be processed for liquid consumption by 0.66p a litre.

## Armed Forces applicants to be monitored

## Plan to attract ethnic minorities

By Peter Davenport  
Defence Correspondent

A system of monitoring the ethnic origins of applicants and recruits to the Armed Forces is to be introduced next year, Mr Roger Freeman, Under Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, announced yesterday.

The idea is to establish the rate of recruitment to the Army, Navy and Air Force from the ethnic minority communities and, where necessary, to instigate action to improve the figures.

However, there will still be no ethnic monitoring of those already in the services or of new recruits once they have joined. Mr Freeman insisted last night that the Government thought it would be unnecessary and divisive to do so.

He said that racial prejudice was not tolerated within the services and that promotion was based on merit and ability and not influenced by the colour of a soldier, sailor or airman.

The Ministry of Defence is also re-issuing a Defence

Council instruction to all officers, reminding them that racial discrimination would not be condoned. All staff at recruiting offices are to be similarly informed.

Mr Freeman said the reason for the introduction of the monitoring scheme was to enable the forces to ensure their ability to recruit enough men and women.

At present recruiting figures are healthy, he said, but in five years time the number of 15 to 17-year-olds would be down by 25 per cent and unless the forces were attracting mem-

bers of all ethnic groups there could be problems in keeping to strength.

Mr Freeman said the scheme would differ from that introduced last year by the Civil Service in that the Armed Forces would monitor only at the point of application and recruitment.

Earlier in the year there was concern expressed about the small number of blacks in the Guards regiments. There were suggestions that black or Asian groups may be encouraged to join less fashion-

able branches of the Army. Yesterday Mr Freeman said that it was impossible to say what percentage of the services was made up from the ethnic community. The figures, he said, were simply not kept.

He said that if the figures, which are to be studied a year after the introduction of the scheme on April 1 next year, showed imbalances between various ethnic groups there would be no intention of setting quotas or of positive discrimination, which is illegal.

## Judge sees role for juries in sentencing

By Frances Gibb  
Legal Affairs Correspondent

A High Court judge yesterday called for juries to have some say in the sentencing policy of the courts rather than leave it to the judges.

Lord McCuskey, a Scottish High Court judge, said in the first of his six 1986 Reith lectures on Radio 4, that sentencing by judges was "profoundly unscientific" and "owes more to chance than to properly thought."

Lord McCuskey, aged 57, the first judge to be chosen as the Reith lecturer, said: "We ignore at our peril public concern about disparity in sentencing between different courts and different judges."

The public are told that sentencing is for the judges, he added. That would be acceptable if judges uniquely knew what mystic principles guided their actions. "But they don't."

The judge, who was Solicitor General in the last Labour government, questioned the way that judges' decisions are labelled "sentencing policy". "The only real policy is to let the judges get on with it," he said.

But it was the public, he said, who had to pay for prisons, who were the victims of crime, who had to live in the community with offenders' families and maintain them.

In cases which have gone to trial, Lord McCuskey said, there was "not an argument for seeking assistance from the very jury that has heard the whole evidence, and determined the fact of guilt."

If the judge had power to put before the jury the upper and lower limits of the range of sentences, that he must consider, that would enable a lay participation in sentencing which would help produce "not only a more just result, but a reader public acceptance of the result."

He put forward the proposal that the public prosecutor might suggest a range of options with reasons and perhaps supporting evidence, "creating the beginnings of a true sentencing policy" which could be scrutinized and discussed in Parliament.

The lecture was the first of six on the theme of "Law, Justice and Democracy" in which he makes full use of the rare chance for a practising judge to speak out in public.

Lord McCuskey, the first Scotsman to give the lectures as well as the first judge, speculated that one reason he was chosen was that "being a Scot, and having been a politician in the Lords, I have a perspective that is different from most judges."

## Report on tunnel criticized

By Martin Fletcher  
Political Reporter

The select committee investigating the Channel Tunnel Bill yesterday unveiled its findings to a chorus of criticism from two of its own MPs as well as pressure groups.

The effect of the findings is to leave government and Eurotunnel plans for the £4.7 billion tunnel project practically unscathed, in spite of 33 days of objections from nearly 5,000 petitioners from London, Kent, the ferry companies and port authorities.

The only potential blow to Eurotunnel is the committee's intention to write into the Bill clauses specifically excluding public subsidies. This could yet prove a stumbling block, given the difficulties experienced last week in raising an initial £206 million.

Mr Nick Raynsford, Labour MP for Fulham, expressed his "fundamental disagreement" with several of the committee's key decisions, particularly its refusal to make any ruling on tunnel safety.

Mr Raynsford also hinted at government interference when he said that the committee "has been subject to very considerable time pressures".

Mr Terry Lewis, Labour MP for Worsley, echoed Mr Raynsford's criticisms. The committee's key conclusions, which will be incorporated in a formal report shortly, include allowing the Government to go ahead with upgrading of the A20 between Folkestone and Dover.

The committee has ruled out an alternative access road from the M20 to the big terminal at Cheriton, near Folkestone.

It also endorsed the proposed use of Waterloo station as the London terminal for the tunnel. The final report is expected to include specific amendments ensuring fair competition with the ferry companies.



The Conservative Party Chairman, Mr Norman Hogg, clearing a path through cameramen and cables after lunching at Broadcasting House with Mr Alexander Milne, director general of the BBC, yesterday (Photograph: John Rogers. BBC response, page 4).

## Savage in professor switch

Mrs Wendy Savage, the reinstated consultant obstetrician, will be working for a new professor when she treats her first patients on Monday.

This is an attempt to avoid further conflict with her present head of department, Professor Geddis Grudzinski.

The London Hospital's medical school has arranged for her to be transferred from the department of obstetrics and gynaecology to the department of general practice, under Professor Mel Salkind.

But Mrs Savage, who was cleared of professional incompetence, will still be treated by Tower Hamlets Health Authority as an honorary consultant.

## Poll gives Tories early poll boost

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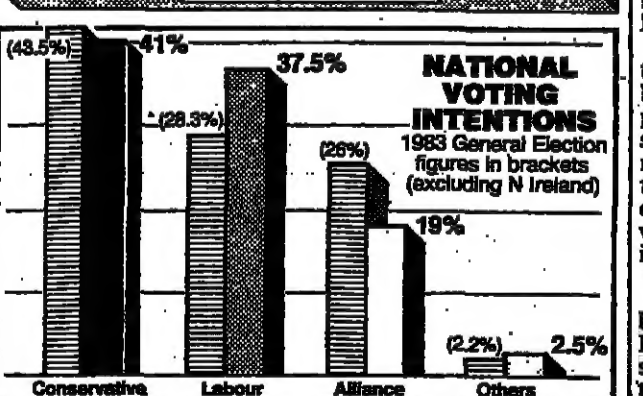
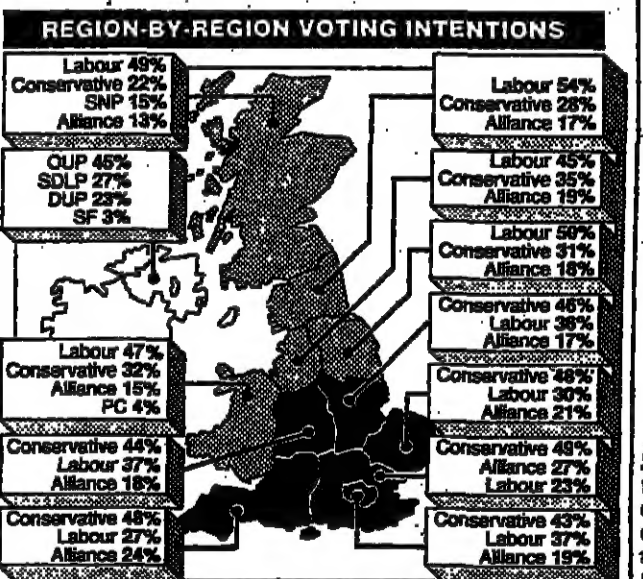
Conservatives 22 per cent, Scottish National Party 15 per cent and Alliance 13 per cent. In Northern Ireland, the figures were Official Unionists 45 per cent, Democratic Unionists 23 per cent, Social Democratic and Labour Party 27 per cent, Sinn Féin 3 per cent.

In Wales, the figures were Labour 47 per cent, Conservatives 32 per cent, Alliance 15 per cent and Plaid Cymru 4 per cent.

Some of the Conservative recovery has clearly been at the expense of the SDP/Liberal Alliance, currently standing at 7 per cent less than their support at the 1983 election.

The poll's more detailed findings showed that 49 per cent of the electorate favour the present electoral system, compared with 43 per cent who want a change.

Only 45 per cent said they would prefer a coalition government of more than one party, while 50 per cent said they would prefer a government formed by only one party.



Q If there were to be a general election tomorrow, which party would you vote for?

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Yorkshire/Humbly	31	56	18	1
West Midlands	44	37	18	1
East Midlands	46	38	17	1
East Anglia	48	30	21	1
South-West	48	27	24	1
South-East	49	23	27	1
Greater London	43	37	19	1

## Scorn for Ridley pay curb

By Howard Foster

The suggestion by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, that county councils facing cuts in rate support grant could save money by refusing a new pay award to their manual workers was under heavy fire last night.

Shire councillors, MPs and the national wage negotiating body for local authorities all pronounced his plan impossible to implement for reasons ranging from political objections to the fact that to renge on an agreed 6.7 per cent rise would involve councils breaking the contracts of 90 per cent of their manual staff.

Mr Ridley is facing a revolt by Conservative backbench MPs whose constituents face sizeable rate increases because the Government has reduced some county council grants.

He has argued that councils could cut the numbers of manual workers or refuse to go along with the national agreement and pay what they could afford.

Southern shire counties are the hardest hit by the provisional figures for next year's rate support grant. Although the overall figure is increased by £1 billion, new bases for distribution mean that some counties will receive up to £20 million less than this year.

## Rebuff for Irish on Diplock

By Richard Ford

The Government has formally rejected demands from the Irish Republic for an increase in the number of judges sitting in Northern Ireland's Diplock courts.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher rejected the proposal for three rather than one judge to sit in the non-jury courts and conveyed her decision in a letter recently sent to Dr Garret FitzGerald, the Republic's Prime Minister.

Reform of the Diplock courts has been a key preoccupation of the Irish government since the signing of the Anglo-Irish agreement as they believed it was one way of improving confidence in the administration of justice in the north.

The British decision is likely to delay the introduction of legislation in the Irish formally ratifying the Irish government's signing of the European Convention on the suppression of terrorism.

Tight security surrounded the Duke of Kent yesterday as he toured high technology factories and manufacturing industry in Northern Ireland.

The two-day tour by the Duke is his fourth visit to the province. He began it by opening a high technology park in Antrim, which could eventually provide 1,500 jobs.

## N-plant disposal

## Spectre of massive concrete 'tombs'

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The fate of Britain's first generation nuclear power stations is to stand for a century as monolithic, nuclear tombs along the coastline.

While conventional coal and oil power stations can be demolished, nuclear reactors have to be decommissioned when they come to the end of their working life. It is a process of untried and even undiscovered technology and unknown risks.

The entombment process is the alternative to the £2.7 billion cost of dismantling each station, according to the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB).

First, the buildings surrounding the reactor, many of them containing intermediate radioactive waste, are removed while the reactor and its bioshield is encased in concrete, leaving a 160-ft high structure to "cool down" for 100 years.

In Britain the 18 original Magnox reactors, some of them approaching 30 years old, will be the first to be decommissioned.

There remains the huge problem of dumping thousands of tons of low-level and intermediate radioactive material from the fabric surrounding the actual reactor. The Severn estuary has Britain's highest concentra-

tion of nuclear power and Mr Paddy Ashdown, Liberal MP for Yeovil, has emerged in the Commons as a nuclear watchdog. He sees decommissioning as a step into the unknown.

Experience rests largely on one small demonstration reactor at Elk River in the United States which has been decommissioned. It took two years, with the structure being flooded by divers using laser tools. The exercise cost more than the cost of building the reactor.

In Britain the Atomic Energy Authority and the CEGB are experimenting with dismantling techniques on the

small AGR reactor at Windscale. Scientists have given themselves 15 years to strip it down, developing robots to get inside.

Concern about the British idea of entombing the structure and leaving it for a century is reflected in conditions at Dungeness, Kent, where the current constantly digs away the shingle beach in front of the reactors and dumps it further along the coast.

The CEGB regularly restores the beach, and would have to do so for 100 years under present decommissioning plans.

## WHICH CUTTY SARK IS THE REAL MCCOY?

The correct answer becomes clear when you know who McCoy was. Captain William McCoy resided in Nassau during the Prohibition years.

And he was not entirely unknown to the local importer of whisky sent from Scotland by Berry Brothers & Rudd, the owners of Cutty Sark.

What happened to the whisky after McCoy

ordered would seem to indicate that his customers were bathing in it. Predictably, Nassau was not the whisky's last stop.

Aside from whatever the Captain kept for purposes of on to be the favourite Scotch whisky across the water.

Of course, the ship is also the genuine article, launched on the Clyde in 1869 and designed to take on the fastest of the tea-clippers.

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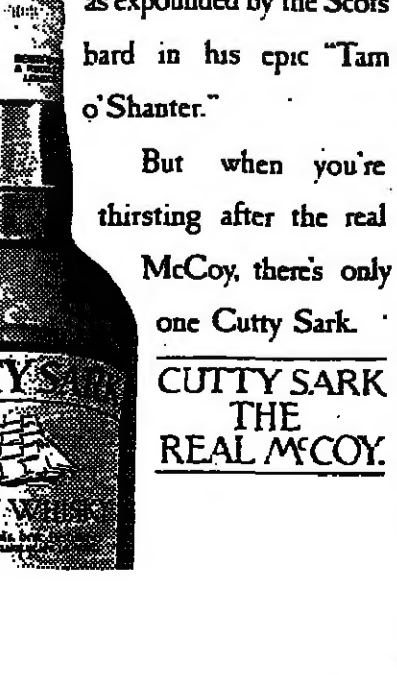
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hospitality, the rest was shipped in clandestine fashion to his American customers.

To them, his product was known as "the real McCoy" - guaranteed quality whisky, distilled in Scotland

and pleasing to the palate. When Prohibition was lifted, Cutty Sark went

purchased it from our agent was no business of anyone at Head Office. Even though the amounts

lifted, Cutty Sark went



# Psychopathic rapist held not responsible for prostitute's murder

John Steed, known as the M4 rapist, yesterday admitted killing a London prostitute, Miss Jacqueline Murray.

At the Central Criminal Court in London, Steed, aged 23, pleaded not guilty to murder but guilty to manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility. The court was told he was a psychopath.

His plea was accepted by Sir James Mackay, the Recorder of London, who said he would sentence Steed on Monday.

Steed, fair haired with a slight beard, also pleaded guilty to raping three women, one charge of abducting a woman with intent to have sexual intercourse with her and a number of charges of stealing cars. No details of any of the offences were given in court during the 10-minute hearing.

But Mr Allan Green, for the prosecution, said that three psychiatrists of great experience had all agreed that Steed, of Croydon Road, Penzance, south London, was suffering from a psychopathic disorder "which substantially impaired his mental responsibility for the killing". They had also agreed there should be no question of a hospital order. It had to be imprisonment.

Mr Green said the doctors' evidence should be accepted. "Where medical evidence is all one way and the quality of that evidence cannot be impugned and there is nothing in the case which can justify a contrary view, as in the Sutcliffe case, the evidence should be accepted."

After the case, police and people who knew Steed described how he grew from a young boy who would not accept a cuddle from his mother into a body-building fanatic who lived in a fantasy world.

He idolized the film star, Clint Eastwood, and the tough "Dirty Harry" characters he portrays on the screen. He is said to have planned the kidnapping and rape of a woman aged 40 after watching

## Juries playing bigger role in murder cases

Since the trial of the Yorkshire Ripper, Peter Sutcliffe, there has been a growing tendency in English courts to leave it to juries to decide whether a defendant is guilty of murder or manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility.

Except in the most clearly defined cases, judges have been reluctant to accept pleas of diminished responsibility for killings without a full trial.

In Sutcliffe's case, Mr Justice Boreham refused to accept his manslaughter plea. As a result, the "Ripper" was convicted by a jury of the murders of his 13 victims and was sentenced to a minimum of 30 years.

Two years later, again at the Central Criminal Court, Dennis Nilsson's plea that he was "out of his mind" when he killed six men was rejected by a jury. He was jailed for 25 years.

In July this year, Mirilla Beecham received two life sentences for a double child killing. The jury rejected her plea of diminished responsibility after listening to lengthy psychiatric evidence.

an episode of the television programme, *The A Team*.

Det Insp Tom Phesse, who headed the Wiltshire police team in the joint operation which brought him to justice, said: "He did not drink or smoke and was only interested in weightlifting to perfect his physique."

His girl friend, Sharon Rovell, disappeared for several days after the murder of Jacqueline Murray because she knew Steed had done it and was frightened of him.

During his attacks he always took a personal item from his victims with their names and addresses. This was coupled with threats to return and kill

his victims and their families if they should go to the police.

After the rape of the M4 victim and the murder of Jacqueline Murray, police realized they were dealing with a psychopathic killer.

When he was arrested, the sawn-off pump-action shotgun he had stolen from his mother's farm was found in the boot of a car he had taken and a revolver was discovered in the glove compartment of another he had stolen.

He was an experienced car thief and was described by one police officer as "a master" at making false number plates. He readily accepted orders from people wanting cars stolen and in the week he was arrested last November he stole eight vehicles.

He had developed his thigh muscles to such an extent that it affected his gait and his rape victims all noted his unusual walk - a piece of information which partly led to his capture. It is understood he also dabbled in anabolic steroids to help boost his muscles. Steed is also said to be deeply interested in Zen Buddhism, which develops mental tranquillity, spontaneity and fearlessness through meditation. He is heavily tattooed on arms, legs back and chest with animal symbols of Buddhism: dragons, snakes, eagles, tigers and a panther.

He once told a fellow body-builder: "With this religion the only thing I want from life is a set of weights and a cell and I would be happy". Steed has a lengthy criminal record stretching back to 1975, when he was in council care. Offences include many thefts, robbery, assault, including an attack on a prison officer, stealing cars, possessing offensive weapons and indecent exposure.

From an early age Steed shunned affection. A family friend said: "He was a strange bloke, never any good at relationships. As a boy he wouldn't even accept a cuddle from his own mum."

## Police 'unable to control' cocaine victim

The inquest into the death of Christopher Anthony Lemard who died in police custody after taking one of the highest recorded doses of cocaine yesterday heard about his colossal strength.

Police Constable Brian Lovegrove told the hearing at Westminster coroners' court in London about the arrest of Mr Lemard at a block of flats.

When he arrived three officers were struggling with Mr Lemard and the impression was that they were unable to control him.

PC Lovegrove said: "He was the strongest man I've ever come across."

Mrs Gareth Pierce, a solicitor representing the family of Mr Lemard, asked him how he came to the opinion of Mr Lemard's colossal strength.

The officer said: "I've never seen a man with so much control over three police officers. They were trying to hold his arms but there seemed to be no control over him."

PC Lovegrove eventually applied handcuffs.

Mr Lemard, aged 35, an engineer, of Haskell House, Stonebridge Park estate, Stonebridge Park, north-west London, died at Kensington police station on October 8.

He had been arrested after an incident in Notting Hill, west London, after police had been told a man armed with a knife was going berserk.

The hearing continues today.

## Tax protester to fight on

The veteran anti-nuclear campaigner, Mr Nicholas Gillett, yesterday promised to continue with his tax protest even after some of his furniture was sold to pay the Inland Revenue.

Mr Gillett, aged 71, a retired lecturer, of Westbury on Trym, Bristol, refused to pay £300 in taxes because he claims that 13 per cent goes on nuclear weapons.

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## Victim gave vital clues

The cool courage and control of John Steed's last victim, abducted from her car on the M4, earned the admiration of the manhunt detectives. The social worker aged 40 succeeded in talking him out of killing her and persuaded him to let her go.

Her astonishing ability to recall even the most minute details gave police vital clues.

A senior officer said: "She was used to dealing with inadequate people in her social work and put into practice all her theory in a real-life situation."

Her detailed recollection of the area where the attack took place was the first vital clue. She described a colonial sign outside the Joiner's Arms public house in South Norwood.

There are five Joiner's Arms in the London area, but after her detailed description the rape scene was rapidly identified as an unfit passage in South Norwood.

Mr Tony Hall, director of BAAF, said: "It also gives the parents a chance to get a realistic idea of what adopting a child with special needs will mean."

Edward, who has been with several foster families since he was two years old, cannot wash or dress himself and needs a wheelchair to get around, although he does have the ability to walk a few steps if aided. The video recording shows him swimming and playing, emphasizing his sense of humour and loving personality.

One area where BAAF is hoping to make great headway is in placing black and mixed race children. They are normally healthy, but because of the shortage of black parents coming forward for adoption are hard to place.

To help find them homes, the British Agencies for Adoption and Fostering (BAAF) yesterday launched the first video adoption programme.

This scheme will run concurrent with BAAF's *Be My Parent* catalogue which already carries photographs and information on 170 children in local authority care awaiting adoption. BAAF represents all the adoption and fostering agencies in Britain.

Each of the 15-minute video recordings will allow prospective parents to see a child at work and play within his usual environment in the comfort of their own home.

"That avoids the possibility of disappointment for children when they are rejected,"

etc 'tomb'

Mr Robert Dunn, Under Secretary of State for Education and Science, who introduced the *Drug Wise* package, said: "For drugs education to be effective, it must be educational and not merely propaganda."

The *Drug Wise* pack is aimed at teenagers, teachers and parents. It explores both

legal and illegal drugs, the social context in which they are used, and economic influences.

Ms Lynda Finn, HEC education officer, urged schools to use learning materials in the three-part pack as part of a wide-ranging health education programme, rather than treating drugs as a separate topic.

The Teachers' Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Education (TACADE) said in a training manual that merely teaching facts about drugs does not prevent experimen-

tal, and can encourage it. "Shock-horror tactics such as films, video nasties and talks from some outsiders have been shown to be ineffective in influencing people's drug-taking habits," it says.

The student material encourages teenagers to write to local and national politicians, giving their views.

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## Maxwell in tears over letter

Mr Robert Maxwell, the publisher, broke down in tears in the High Court yesterday over a reference to Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi war criminal.

The former Labour MP, aged 63, who was born in Czechoslovakia, shook with emotion and banged his hands on the witness box as he said angrily: "My family were destroyed by Eichmann."

His outburst came as he gave evidence on the third day of his libel action against the satirical magazine, *Private Eye*, and was shown letters allegedly sent to the magazine by his wife, one of which

compared the Duke of Edinburgh to Eichmann.

Mr Maxwell, chairman of Mirror Group Newspapers, took several minutes to compose himself, then wiped his eyes and said: "I'm sorry."

He told the court that in 1983 the magazine compared him with one of the Kray twins. He threatened to sue and *Private Eye* and the magazine gave an undertaking not to publish further offensive material.

But then came a series of letters in the magazine allegedly sent by his wife. As his counsel, Mr Richard

Hartley, QC, took him through the Eichmann letter he broke down.

Referring to the two articles in July last year which are the subject of the current libel action in which it is alleged Mr Maxwell acted as "paymaster" to Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, and attempted to bribe him to buy a peerage he said it was a "gross allegation and lie".

The magazine's publishers, Pressdram Ltd, and Mr Richard Ingram, the former editor, deny libel. They also counter claim libel damages over an article in the *Daily Mirror*. The hearing continues.

## Fowler to spend £6m on mental health

By Jill Sherman

The Government's plan to spend £6 million during the next three years on improving the care of the mentally ill in the community was yesterday dismissed as "desertory".

Mr Norman Fowler, the Secretary of State for Social Services, said yesterday that eight schemes had already been approved in health authority regions throughout the country and a further six would be approved in the next fortnight.

Regions will receive a maximum of £400,000 each to spend on schemes designed to provide support in the community for those suffering from serious mental illness.

But health and social service organisations yesterday said not enough money was being offered. They also criticized the Government for supporting individual projects, instead of tackling the problem nationwide.

The funding of small initiatives for short periods of time does not address the fundamental problem of community care, which is to plan a full range of services for all those in need in the community," Mr Tony de Sautey, under secretary of social services of the Association of Community Councils, said.

The mental health association, Mind, which last week called for a further £1 billion for services for the mentally ill, said that there was a desperate need for a central bridging fund to make the transition from hospitals to community care possible.

"Unless this is provided it will never be possible for people leaving hospital to lead independent lives in the community," Miss Chris Smith, Mind's assistant director, said.

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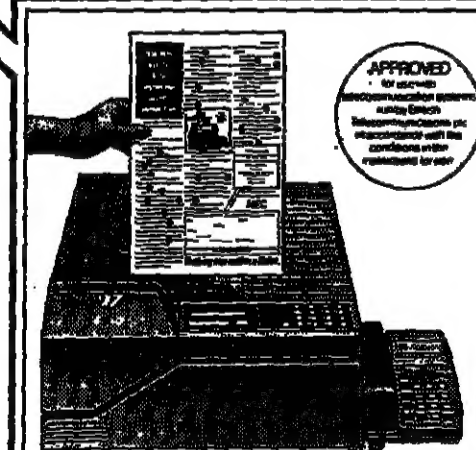
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# Councils are rapped over £700m home repair waste

By Christopher Warnman, Property Correspondent

Local authorities could improve council house maintenance by up to 30 per cent, worth about £700 million a year, if they adopted better management systems and concentrated on a sustained programme of repairs and maintenance, the Audit Commission says in a report published today. The report gives a catalogue of waste in present housing maintenance efforts by some authorities, including too much work done on a jobbing basis, too many emergency repairs, failure to ensure effective competition from contractors, whether their own direct labour organizations or not, and the high cost of redecoration and repair bills for properties left vacant.

Mr John Banham, controller of the commission, emphasized there was no suggestion that local government housing was in worse shape than private sector housing, which had the same problems of disrepair. "But by failing to invest in routine maintenance we are running down the nation's assets. Every year that we put this off means that it will cost more later, and to run it down is a disservice. But this is sadly what we have been doing, and the report is all about how we can reverse this downward trend."

He said that the report was not an attempt to cut expenditure. "It shows how to provide more maintenance work for the same cost and £700 million is well worth having in extra value."

The backlog in council house maintenance and improvements totals some £20 billion in England alone, and the report says that annual expenditure is more than £2 billion, about £425 for each of the 4.8 million council homes in England and Wales. The maintenance backlog in inner London averages £4,500 a dwelling, compared with £2,500 in the metropolitan districts and £1,400 in the smaller shire districts.

Throughout the country the picture varies, with some authorities coping efficiently with the problem; but overall the report criticizes too much jobbing work, which can often cost up to 50 per cent more than the same job done as part of a planned maintenance

## Coal looks to end losses in 1988-89

By Philip Webster  
Chief Political Correspondent

The coal industry should break even by 1988-89, a year later than expected, Sir Robert Haslam, chairman of British Coal, told MPs yesterday.

But in a cautiously optimistic assessment of the future of the industry, given to the Commons select committee on energy, he predicted that from next March there would be a marked slowing down in the rate of colliery closures.

Sir Robert acknowledged that British Coal would lose about £300 million this year. The fall-off in oil prices and downward trend of international coal prices had meant the loss of potential profit of about £400 million. In the first half of the year the loss had been about £240 million, but it could be contained.

The break-even target for 1988-89 was still pretty formidable, Sir Robert said. But productivity this year was 22 per cent higher than last.

Sir Robert declined calls from Labour MPs to give precise manpower projections, but he said: "We do perceive beyond the end of March that we shall be in much calmer waters". He suggested that British Coal was entering a phase similar to that of British Steel three years ago before its recovery.



Fiona Brockway, of The Royal Ballet, being kept on her toes by Emma Burns, aged eight, of The Castle Bar School, Ealing, west London, when company members met pupils after The Dream matinee at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden (Photograph: John Rogers).

## Big expenditure on new prisons 'a costly failure'

By Peter Evans  
Home Affairs Correspondent

Massive investment by the Government in new prisons is a costly failure, the annual report of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders says today.

The forecast made by Mr Leon Brittan in 1983, when he was Home Secretary, that the prison building programme would end overcrowding by 1991 will not be met, Nacro says.

The report says that no reduction in prison overcrowding has been achieved in the past five years. In March 1981, prisons were overcrowded by 12 per cent, the same percentage as in March 1985.

In February of this year, 17,148 prisoners were still sharing a cell with one or two others.

Under present plans, many thousands of prisoners would still be sharing cells in 1991.

Miss Vivien Stern, director of Nacro, says in the report: "The massive investment in new prisons is draining resources away from the existing system and reducing standards still further."

"The money available for education was reduced from 2.3 per cent of the prison budget in 1979-80 to 1.85 per cent in 1984-85."

Prisoners in England and Wales have had a pay rise. The flat rate, without overtime, has gone up from £2.98 a week to £3.10.

Incentive schemes now offer a maximum of £5.10 a week, compared with £4.83. Most money is spent on tobacco, although savings are encouraged.

There has been a slow, steady and relentless deterioration in prison conditions in the past 20 years, she says.

This year's revised Home Office handbook for courts, *The Sentence of the Court*, "points out as clearly as it can the positive disadvantages of a high level of imprisonment."

"Yet the proportionate use of custody continues to rise. In 1974, 15 per cent of men over 21 sentenced for indictable offences received immediate prison sentences. This figure had risen by 1984 to 20 per cent."

There is an imbalance in the way crime is dealt with, the report says. Considerable resources and energy are directed to the detection, prosecution and punishment of crime, which still keeps ahead of them.

Yet little is allocated to preventing crime or helping the individuals and areas which suffer most from it, Miss Stern says.

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## FROM THE ROCK MARKET TO THE STOCK MARKET.

## Challenge to church on shares

By Sheila Gann  
Political Staff

The Church Commissioners are under pressure from inside the church to sell its investments in companies with links in South Africa.

The commissioners defend its South African portfolio by arguing that it would be illegal to disinvest any further.

Sir Douglas Lovelock, the first church estates commissioner, has cited the Megarry judgement involving the National Union of Mineworkers as precedent against the sale.

This is challenged today by Mr Andrew Phillips, a leading charity lawyer, who investigated the legal position on behalf of Dr Alan Webster, Dean of St Paul's and a church commissioner.

Mr Phillips argues that there is a distinction between private, non-charitable trusts, such as the NUM pension fund, and charities, like the church commissioners.

The commissioners, whose aim is to promote "the care of souls", must not lend support and approbation to anything which conflicts with this, he says. It was "misguided" to use the Megarry judgement as a defence.

His opinion will be used against the commissioners in the debate on their investment policy at the General Synod next week. Dr Webster says he will move an amendment calling for a start to disinvestment.

## Union gets cut-price new cars

The electricians' union has negotiated discounts on new cars for its 347,000 members. The deal is the latest in a catalogue of benefits obtained by the Electrical, Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union.

After agreement with a Shropshire-based car dealer, EETPU members will be able to obtain 15 per cent discounts on new cars and officials hope they will buy British makes.

Earlier this year, the union negotiated discounts on home, car and life insurance, mortgages, pension schemes and holidays.

## Court change in head's trial

The trial of an independent grammar school headmaster accused of assaulting a pupil by caning him, will be held at Knightsbridge Crown Court, west London.

The case against Mr John Pearson, aged 37, of Village Road, Enfield, north London, who is accused of causing actual bodily harm to the boy aged 13 was due to be heard at Wood Green Crown Court.

## Murder case under review

The Court of Appeal is to review the case of a convicted murderer whose case was featured in BBC's *Rough Justice* television series.

Margaret Lavery, aged 50, was jailed for life in 1979 for the murder of her son, Alan, aged 14, who was found, trussed up at their home in Bamber Bridge, Preston. He had been stabbed 10 times.

## Cathedral gift

Cambridge County Council is to give £250,000 towards essential repair work to Ely Cathedral. A total of £4 million is needed to repair the eleventh-century Norman building.

## Queen's call

The Queen has called rat catchers to her country park at Sandringham in Norfolk. The rodents have been attracted to tins left by picnickers.

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## Suez 30 years on

## Soldier recalls the big 'fireworks' display he was part of in 1956

By Peter Davenport, Defence Correspondent

History has passed its own judgement on the political and military wisdom of the invasion of Suez, but for the men involved in the fighting each anniversary of the event brings back more personal memories.

Thirty years ago yesterday about 700 men of the 3rd Battalion, The Parachute Regiment were dropped on to the El Gamil airfield west of Port Said — 24 hours before the main seaborne invasion force was scheduled to land.

Among them was Private Terence Horton, who is now aged 49 and a building works manager in east London. He said: "For everybody else the fifth of November is Guy Fawkes night, but for all of us who were in Suez we remember the day for fireworks of a rather different kind."

For many Suez was their first taste of action. As they stepped out of their transport planes, laden with heavy weapons containers, their only thoughts were of the reception they were about to receive from the Egyptian forces below.

The controversy about the political decision to invade would come later, but as first light broke on the morning of November 5 the atmosphere on board the aircraft approaching Port Said was of anticipation and some excitement.

Private Horton was among the first to jump. As well as his weapons and equipment he also carried a 35mm camera he had bought while stationed in Cyprus — the photographs on this page are a selection of what he took.

Now the television cameras

bring today's wars into the family living room, but these photographs still capture the atmosphere of the battlefield in an evocative way.

Mr Horton has vivid memories of the fighting to achieve the paras' objectives — to secure the airfield, prepare for the demolition of a bridge on the road to Alexandria and to advance on Port Said.

He says now that he and many of his fellow soldiers considered that the decision to send them in 24 hours ahead of the main invasion force was of no military value and unnecessarily hazardous.

"Rumour had it that pressure was being brought to bear on the Government to halt hostilities and that we were hurriedly sent in in order to present the critics with a fait accompli."

"We were lightly armed and if the Egyptians had reacted aggressively with heavy equipment we could have been in severe trouble. As it was we lost four men and had another 34 wounded. It could have been much worse."

As in all wars there was a black humour attached to many of the incidents.

Dug in, waiting for dawn and with the night so black it was impossible to see the end of your own extended arm, one group of paras thought an enemy squad had been seen moving along the beach carrying canoes. A tracer bullet was fired, followed by a hail of small arms from the British trenches. Next day the "enemy" was found to be a donkey, its body riddled with bullets.

A friend of Mr Horton pulled the pin of his grenade in

expectation of an attack, only to find he could not replace it when the alert passed. His hand developed cramp so, rather than throw the grenade and risk attracting a mortar attack, he sat through the night clutching it between his thighs.

In another incident as paras moved through a sewage farm they came under attack from an aircraft. The sewage containers offered the only possible protection — so they jumped in, only to discover that the plane strafing them was one of their own.

The next morning the paras advanced. Mr Horton said, with one platoon occupying a hospital only to lose their platoon commander, sergeant and two men to accurate fire from buildings near by.

Later in the day the main seaborne forces arrived. That night a ceasefire came into effect.

Mr Horton added: "I had the films developed when we got back to Cyprus, but I never had them printed. I had almost forgotten about them until the anniversary rolled round this year."



The oil tanks burn on November 6, 1956, (above top) as the 3rd Battalion, The Parachute Regiment takes over Port Said. For many of the men it was their first taste of action, but they could still manage a smile during a meal break for Private Terence Horton, who took both these photographs.

## Call for airlines to end price fixing

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

A new report by the Institute for Fiscal Studies urges European transport ministers to introduce greater competition between airlines when they hold their meeting on aviation policy in Brussels next week.

It wants to see an end to the practice of price-fixing and agreements between airlines not to compete on certain routes.

The institute calls for "full application of the competition principles of the Treaty of Rome to prevent the entrenched European airlines abusing their dominant position."

The Consumers Association has also written to Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, urging him not to agree to a compromise, because it would fly in the face of his earlier apparent commitment to full liberalization.

A number of European ministers are against abandoning current policies.

At the International Air Transport Association's annual meeting in Montreux this week it was clear that there will be strong resistance to any move to force them to abandon price-fixing meetings or to use the courts to impose unrestricted competition.



Private Terence Horton (left) before the drop into Egypt in 1956 and as he is today.

## Planes put to test by Younger

By Peter Davenport, Defence Correspondent

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, is to take a test flight in each of the two aircraft competing for the valuable contract to provide the RAF with its next generation of airborne early warning planes.

He will make his first flight, on board the Boeing E-3 Awacs, from RAF Waddington in Lincolnshire today. On November 18 he will take a test flight on board the GEC Nimrod aircraft.

The decision of the Mr Younger to take a personal trial of the two competing systems was announced by the Ministry of Defence yesterday, the day before the "best and final" offers from GEC and Boeing, are due to land on his desk.

Mr Younger is expected to reach his decision before the end of the year.

As the details of his test flights were announced, some reports said yesterday that the two rival aircraft had recently been involved in fly-off tests along the east coast of England.

## Eight held over £4m drug raid

Seven men and one woman were remanded in custody yesterday charged in connection with an alleged £4 million cannabis smuggling operation.

The police and customs officers recovered 1.5 tons of cannabis resin valued at more than £4 million in a raid at Aberbach beach, near Fishguard, Dyfed, this week.

The eight were remanded in custody until next Monday by Haverfordwest magistrates. There was no application for bail.

Those charged were: Michael Peter Edwards, aged 39, a company manager, of Seymour Street, London W1; Peter Frederick Welch, aged 47, a musician, of Uplands Crescent, Swansea; Elie Seymour, aged 27, of Copperfield Way, Chislehurst, Kent; Kim Buckley, aged 32, a motor trader, of Rhyd Lewis, Dyfed; David Jeffrey, aged 26, a despatch rider, of Beulah, Dyfed; his brother, Peter Jeffrey, aged 40, a builder, of Tresaith, Dyfed.

Robert Turnbull, aged 34, unemployed, of South Shields, Tyne-and-Wear; and Neil Franks, aged 30, of Carpenters Cottage, Sittingbourne, Kent.

## Stud farm fails in appeal on rates

A test case to decide whether stud farm owners in England and Wales are entitled to rates exemption may be decided by the House of Lords.

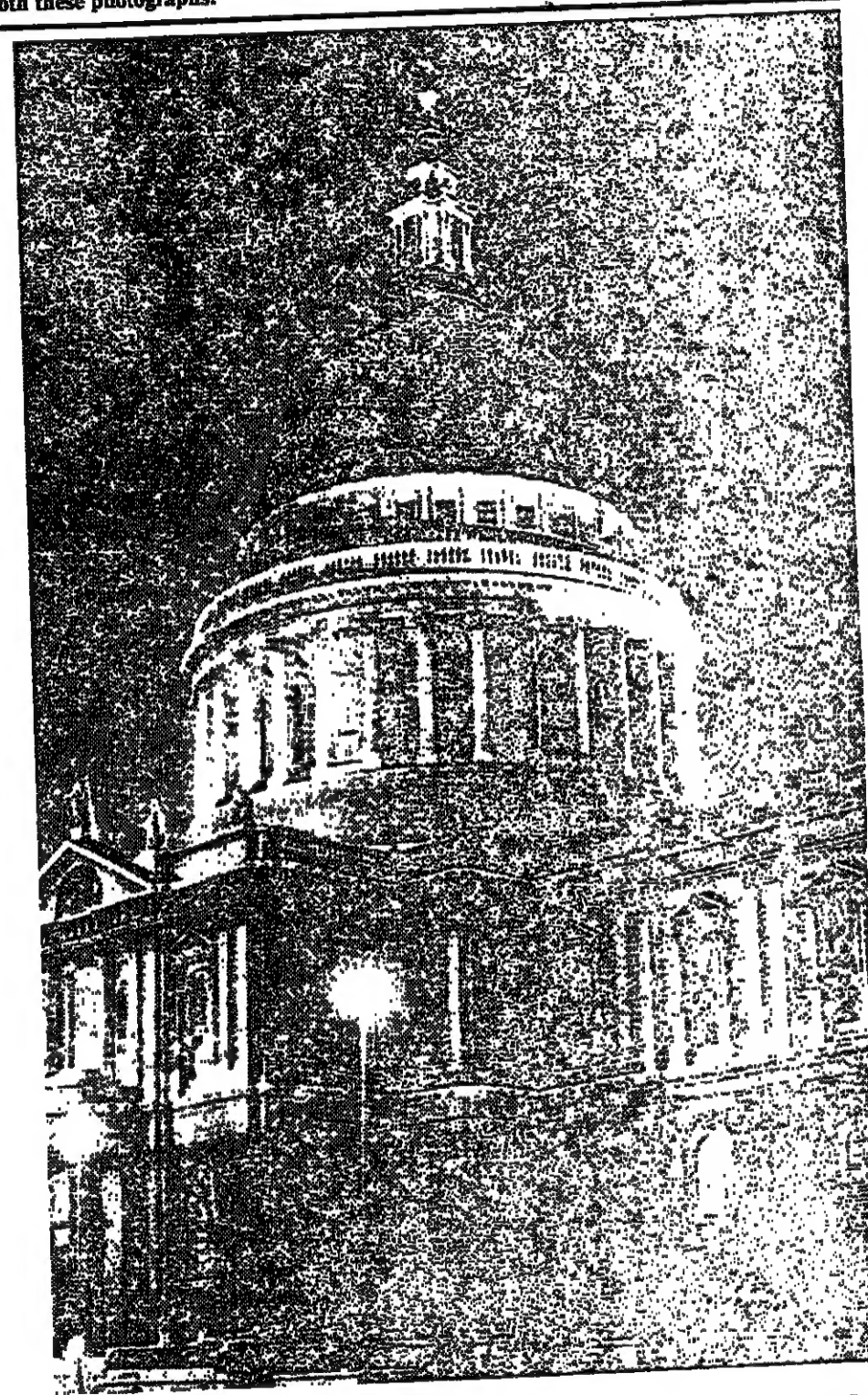
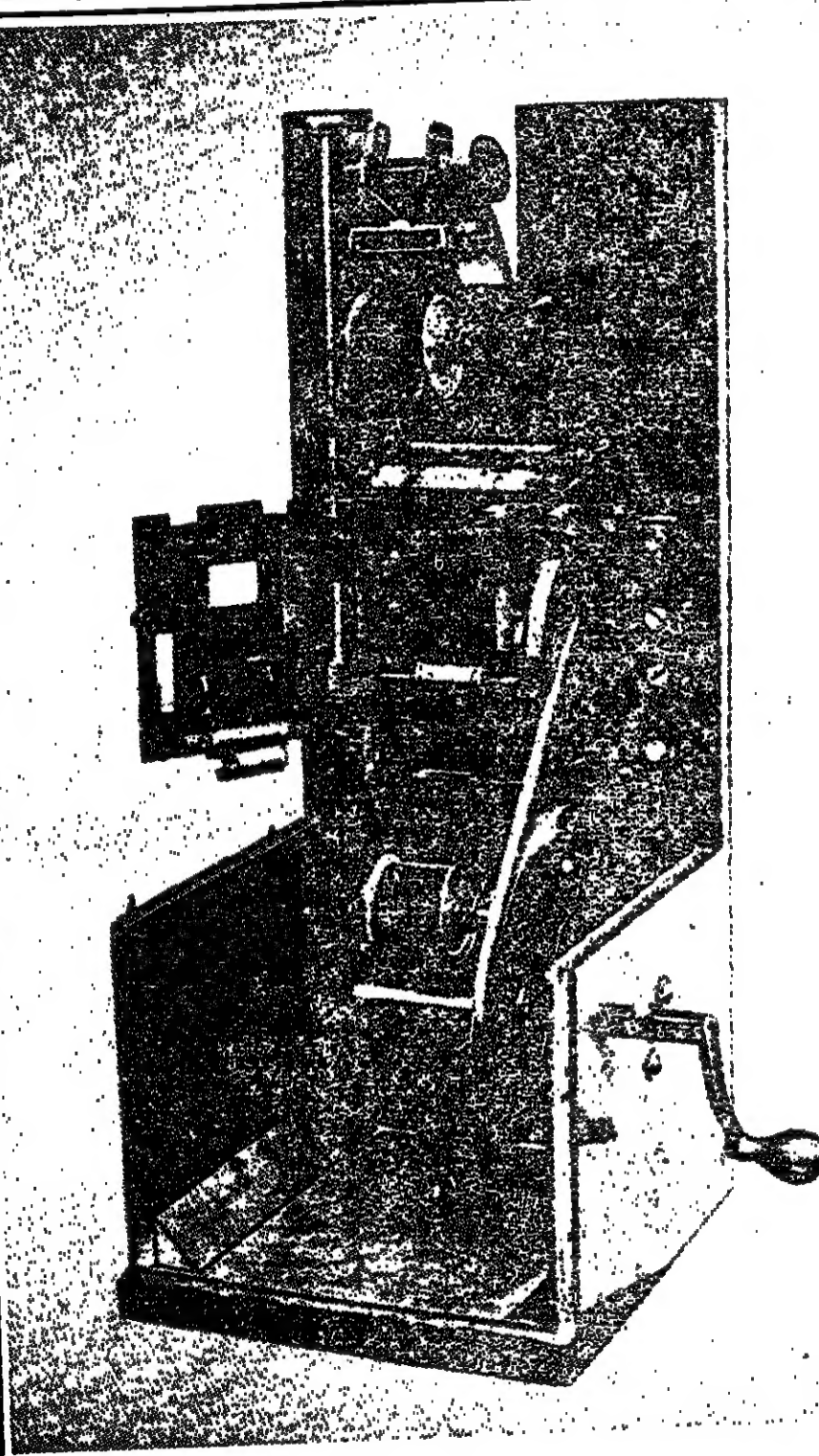
The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal yesterday by Whitsbury Farm and Stud Ltd. of Hampshire, which claimed that it should be exempted because the farm consisted of agricultural buildings under the terms of the General Rate Act 1967.

Lord Justice Lawton, sitting with Lord Justices Lloyd and Balcombe, gave the stud farm permission to take the case to the Lords after counsel said that 400 other cases were awaiting a final decision. In a reserved judgement,

Lord Justice Lawton said the case was the latest in attempts by stud farm owners to establish rate exemption since the Local Government Act 1929 derated agricultural land.

Dismissing the appeal with costs, the judge said the question was whether stud owners who bred racing stock on premises with agricultural land attached should enjoy the same rate exemption as those who bred cattle and sheep.

A spokesman for the Thoroughbred Breeders Association said: "The Court of Appeal has found that breeding of thoroughbred horses is not an agricultural operation and therefore stud farm buildings should be rated". An appeal would be considered.



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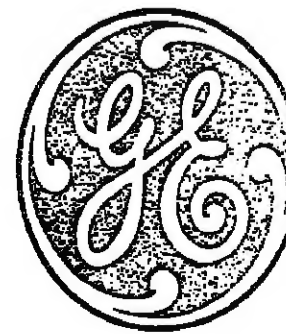
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## US MID-TERM ELECTIONS

## Reagan to stand firm despite Senate loss

Continued from page 1

Democrats fared less well. It appeared yesterday before all 435 results were in that they may have picked up as few as three seats. On the whole, familiar incumbents were returned on both sides.

But there were some newcomers who succeeded in returning Congressmen, the most famous being Mr. Joseph Kennedy, aged 33, the son of the late Robert Kennedy, who won comfortably in the Boston seat held for more than 30 years by the former Speaker Thomas "Tip" O'Neill.

His sister, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, failed to beat her woman Republican opponent in Baltimore. Their uncle, Senator Edward Kennedy, who was not himself up for election this year, is expected to take over the chairmanship of the Senate judiciary committee in the general reassignment of committee chairmanships.

The Republicans did best in the governors' race. The historic capture of Alabama, the first time a Republican took this deep south state since the Civil War, marked a clear break with the George Wallace era. Further south in Texas they also ousted the Democratic incumbent Mark White.

The election of a Republican Hispanic-American governor in Florida offset the defeat in the Senate race of Senator Paula Hawkins. And Republican governors were installed in traditionally conservative states previously held by Democrats—Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas.

The Republicans also maintained their hold on America's largest state, with the reelection of Governor George Deukmejian in California.

## Grassroots verdict

## Voters decide on the vital issues

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

Voters from Maine to California yesterday delivered their verdicts on a range of subjects including AIDS, drugs, nuclear power, gambling, taxes and women's rights.

Many of their answers, when added to ballots in some 43 states, have national implications and are an increasingly important aspect of US elections.

California approved a referendum that would make English the official language, a measure strongly opposed by Hispanic, Asian, and civil rights groups.

In Oregon there was overwhelming grassroots rejection of a proposition that would have allowed adults to grow marijuana for their own use.

These were two of the most controversial of some 226 referenda that American voters decided on Tuesday. "Direct democracy" propositions allowed voters to ignore the usual legislative process and propose new laws.

The Oregon proposition was put by a group calling itself the "Oregon Marijuana Initiative". It would have permitted anyone aged 18 or older to grow and possess the drug for personal use. But voters strongly rejected the proposition after a warning by the State Attorney-General's office that such a law would be unenforceable and by drug-abuse officials that it sent the wrong signal to the youth.

California rejected by a two-to-one margin the proposition of an amendment to allow bars and restaurants to serve alcohol. This was banned in 1880 but stores were allowed to sell drink in 1948.

Until now, however, open saloons in Kansas were forbidden.

Other measures approved included a new state lottery in Florida, the cleaning up of toxic waste sites in New York and Massachusetts, and a mandatory seat belt law in Nebraska.

California Chief Justice Rose Bird was ousted overwhelmingly.

Voters in and around the predominantly black Roxbury area of Boston rejected by about three-to-one a non-binding referendum on forming a separate city called Mandela.

Massachusetts voters rejected a proposal to use state funds to aid private schools by about a two-to-one ratio. New York voters approved a \$1.45 billion bond issue for environmental projects.

Rhode Island voters, overwhelmingly Roman Catholic, rejected the proposed ban on state-funded abortions, except when the life of the mother was threatened, by more than three-to-two.

In Vermont, a proposal to add the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the state's constitution headed for defeat. This had been seen as the spearhead of a possible nationwide attempt to revive the national movement to make ERA part of the United States constitution. That now seems to have suffered a mortal blow.

In Oregon, a proposal calling for the creation of a statewide nuclear free zone, including the closing of the state's only operating nuclear plant until a high level waste site was in operation, was defeated.

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President and Mrs. Reagan waving as they board a helicopter to return to the White House as the campaign ended.

## Computer bombards the sick

From Paul Valley, Fort Worth

It was not, we are assured, President Reagan's intention that the old and the sick should be dragged from their hospital beds in a last-attempt to swell the Republican vote in Texas. But that was not how all of the patients saw it.

The vigour of the President's unsuccessful personal campaign to maintain his party's working majority in the Senate in Tuesday's election has been much remarked upon here.

But even Mr. Reagan's most steadfast admirers thought he had gone too far when he besieged bed-ridden patients in Mesquite Community Hospital, Texas, for four hours.

It was not the President in person, of course. Political campaigners in the United States have devised a new form of lobbying in which a recorded message is played by a computer.

But this time the computer, which is based in Fort Worth,

west of Dallas, instead of calling private homes in Cleveland, Ohio, it bombarded the local general hospital.

For four hours last weekend the calls went through to the emergency room, the nurses home and the bedside telephones of the patients.

Perhaps the President's only real mistake was in not ordering a fleet of bathtubs to form a shuttle to the polling booth.

## Winners in House battle for 100th Congress

## Alabama

- 1 R Herbert Callahan (84)\*
- 2 R William Dickinson (64)
- 3 D William Nichols (66)
- 4 D Tom Bevil (76)
- 5 D Ronnie Fletcher (80)\*
- 6 D Ben Edrington (82)
- 7 D Claude Harris (D)

## Alaska

- AL R Donald Young (73)

## Arizona

- 1 R John Rhodes III (R)
- 2 D Morris Udall (61)
- 3 R Bob Stump (70)\*
- 4 R Jon Kyl (R)
- 5 R James Kolbe (84)

## Arkansas

- 1 D William Alexander (68)
- 2 D Tommy Robinson (84)
- 3 R J.P. Hammerschmidt (66)
- 4 D Beryl Anthony Jr (78)

## California

- 1 D Douglas Bosco (82)
- 2 R Wally Hanger (R)
- 3 D Robert Matsui (78)
- 4 D Vic Fazio (78)
- 5 D Sala Burton (83)
- 6 D Barbara Boxer (82)
- 7 D George Miller (74)
- 8 D Ronald Figueroa (70)
- 9 D Fortney Stark (72)
- 10 D Don Edwards (62)
- 11 D Thomas Lantos (80)
- 12 R Ernest Conaway (R)
- 13 D Norman Mineta (74)
- 14 D Norman Shumway (78)
- 15 D Tony Coelho (78)
- 16 D Leon Panetta (76)
- 17 R Charles Fashaway (78)
- 18 D Richard Lehman (82)
- 19 R Robert Lagomastro (74)
- 20 R William Thomas (78)
- 21 R Elton Gallegly (R)
- 22 R Carlos Moorhead (R)
- 23 D Anthony Beilenson (76)
- 24 D Henry Waxman (74)\*
- 25 D Edward Roybal (62)
- 26 D Howard Berman (82)
- 27 D Mel Levine (82)
- 28 D Julian Dixon (78)
- 29 D Augustus Hawkins (62)
- 30 D Matthew Martinez (82)
- 31 D Mervyn Dymally (80)
- 32 D Glenn Anderson (68)
- 33 R David Dreier (80)
- 34 D Esteban Torres (82)
- 35 R Jerry Lewis (78)
- 36 D George Brown Jr (82)
- 37 R Alfred McCausland (82)
- 38 D Robert Dornan (76)
- 39 R Robert Badham (76)
- 40 D Daniel Lungren (80)
- 41 R Ronald Packard (82)
- 42 D Daniel Schaefer (83)
- 43 R Duncan Hunter (80)

## Colorado

- 1 D Patricia Schroeder (72)
- 2 D David Skaggs (D)
- 3 D Ben Campbell (R)
- 4 R Hank Brown (80)
- 5 R Joel Helley (R)
- 6 D Daniel Schaefer (83)

## Connecticut

- 1 D Barbara Kennelly (82)
- 2 D Samuel Gejdenson (80)
- 3 D Bruce Morrison (82)
- 4 D Stewart McKinney (70)
- 5 R John Rowland (84)
- 6 R Nancy Johnson (82)

## Delaware

- AL D Thomas Carper (82)

## Florida

- 1 D Earl Hutto (78)
- 2 D James Grant (D)\*
- 3 D Charles Bennett (48)\*
- 4 D William Chappell (68)\*
- 5 R Bill McCollum (80)\*
- 6 D Kenneth Mackay (82)
- 7 D Sam Gibbons (62)\*
- 8 D C.W. Young (70)\*
- 9 D William C. Cramer (82)
- 10 D David Hoggins (82)
- 11 D Bill Nelson (80)
- 12 R Tom Lewis (82)\*
- 13 R Connie Mack (82)
- 14 Daniel Iwan (78)
- 15 R Clay Shaw (80)\*
- 16 D Lawrence Smith (82)

## Georgia

- 1 D Robert Thomas (82)\*
- 2 D Charles Frazier (80)\*
- 3 D Richard Ray (82)\*
- 4 R Patrick Swindall (84)
- 5 D John Lewis (D)
- 6 R Newt Gingrich (78)
- 7 D George Darden (83)
- 8 D James Rowland (82)
- 9 D John Jenkins (84)\*
- 10 D Douglas Burnard Jr (76)

## Hawaii

- 1 R Patricia Sisk (D)
- 2 D Daniel Akaka (76)

## Idaho

- 1 R Larry Craig (80)
- 2 D Richard Stallings (84)

## Illinois

- 1 D Charles Hayes (83)
- 2 D Gus Savage (80)
- 3 D Martin Russo (74)
- 4 R Jack Davis (R)
- 5 D William Lipinski (82)
- 6 R Henry Hyde (74)
- 7 D Cardiss Collins (73)
- 8 D Dan Rostenkowski (58)
- 9 D Sidney Yates (48)
- 10 R John Porter (80)
- 11 D Frank Annunzio (64)
- 12 R Philip Crane (69)
- 13 R Harris Pawell (84)
- 14 R J. Dennis Hastert (R)
- 15 R Edward Madigan (72)\*
- 16 R Lynn Martin (80)
- 17 R Jane Evans (82)
- 18 R Robert Michael (56)
- 19 D Terry Bruce (84)
- 20 D Richard Durbin (82)
- 21 D Kenneth Gray (54)

## Indiana

- 1 D Peter Visclosky (84)
- 2 D Philip Sharp (74)
- 3 D Thomas Ward (R)
- 4 D David Skaggs (D)
- 5 R James Jentz (82)
- 6 R Dan Burton (82)
- 7 R John Myers (66)
- 8 D Francis McCloskey (82)
- 9 D Lee Hamilton (64)
- 10 D Andrew Jacobs Jr (64)

## Iowa

- 1 R Jim Leach (76)
- 2 R Thomas Tauke (78)
- 3 D David Nagle (R)
- 4 D Neal Smith (58)
- 5 R Jim Lightfoot (84)
- 6 R Frederick Grandy (D)

## Kansas

- 1 R Charles Roberts (80)
- 2 D James Shattuck (82)
- 3 D Janice Meyers (84)\*
- 4 D Dan Glickman (76)
- 5 R Robert Whitaker (78)

## Kentucky

- 1 D Carroll Hubbard Jr (74)\*
- 2 D William Natcher (53)\*
- 3 D Romano Mazzoli (70)
- 4 R Jim Bunning (R)
- 5 R Harold Rogers (80)\*
- 6 R Larry Hopkins (78)
- 7 D Carl Perkins (84)

## Louisiana

- 1 R Robert Livingston (77)\*

## Maine

- 1 D Joseph Brennan (R)
- 2 R Olympia Snowe (78)

## Maryland

- 1 R Roy Dyson (80)
- 2 R Helen Bentley (84)
- 3 D Benjamin Cardin (D)
- 4 D Charles McMillen (R)
- 5 D Steny Hoyer (81)
- 6 D Beverly Ryan (80)
- 7 D Kwesi Mfume (84)
- 8 R Constance Morella (D)

## Massachusetts

- 1 R Silvio Conte (58)
- 2 D Edward Boland (52)
- 3 D Joseph Early (74)\*
- 4 D Barney Frank (80)
- 5 D Chester Atkins (84)\*
- 6 D Nicholas Mavroules (78)\*
- 7 D Edward Markey (76)\*
- 8 D Joseph Kennedy II (D)

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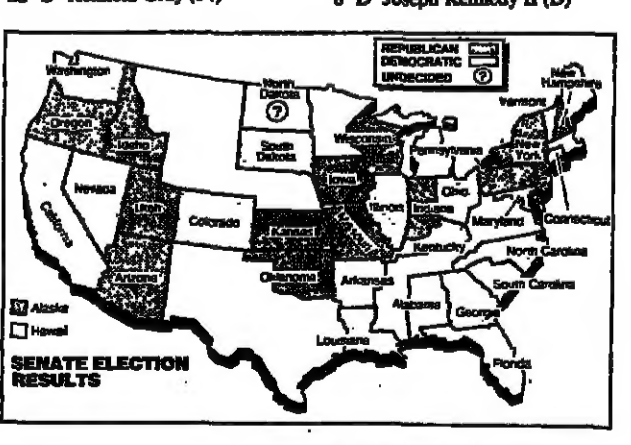
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- 2 R Carl Pomeroy (76)
- 3 D Howard Wolpe (78)
- 4 R Frederick Upton (R)
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- 7 D Dale Kildee (76)
- 8 D Bob Traxler (74)
- 9 R Guy Vander Jagt (66)
- 10 D Robert Davis (78)
- 11 D David Bonior (76)
- 12 D George Crockett Jr (80)
- 13 D Dennis Hertel (80)
- 14 D William Ford (64)
- 15 D John Dingell (53)
- 16 D Sander Levin (82)
- 17 R William Broomfield (56)

## Minnesota

- 1 D Timothy Penny (82)
- 2 D Robert Frenzel (70)
- 3 D Bruce Vento (70)
- 4 D Martin Sabo (78)
- 5 D Gerry Sikorski (82)
- 7 D James Oberstar (74)

## Mississippi

- 1 D Jamie Whitten (41)
- 2 D A. Nickolas Faye (R)
- 3 D G.V. Montgomery (66)\*
- 4 D Wayne Dowdy (81)



## Missouri

- 1 D William Clay (68)
- 2 R Jack Baerchman (D)
- 3 D Richard Gephardt (76)
- 4 D The Skelton (76)\*
- 5 D Alan West (82)
- 6 R E. Thomas Coleman (78)
- 7 R Gene Taylor (72)
- 8 R William Emerson (80)
- 9 D Harold Volkmer (76)

## Montana

- 1 D Patrick Williams (78)
- 2 D Undecided (R)

## Nebraska

- 1 R Douglas Bernerter (78)
- 2 D Hal Deane (80)
- 3 R Virginia Smith (74)

## Nevada

- 1 D James Bihary (D)
- 2 D Undecided (R)

## New Hampshire

- 1 R Robert Smith (84)
- 2 R Judd Gregg (80)

## New Jersey

- 1 D James Florio (74)
- 2 D William Hughes (74)
- 3 D Undecided (D)
- 4 R Christopher Smith (80)
- 5 R Margaret Roukema (80)
- 6 D James Scherer (64)
- 7 R Matthew Rinaldo (72)
- 8 D Robert Roe (69)
- 9 D Robert Torricelli (82)
- 10 D Peter Rodino (48)\*
- 11 R Dean Gallo (84)
- 12 R James Courter (78)
- 13 H. James Saxton (84)
- 14 D Frank Guarni (78)

## New Mexico

- 1 R Manuel Lujan Jr (68)
- 2 R Joseph Skeen (80)
- 3 D William Richardson (82)

## New York

- 1 D George Hochstetler (R)
- 2 D Thomas Downey (74)
- 3 D Robert Murch (82)
- 4 R Norman Lent (70)
- 5 R Raymond McGrath (80)
- 6 D Floyd Flake (D)
- 7 D Gary Ackerman (83)
- 8 D Stephen Solarz (74)
- 9 D Thomas Manton (84)
- 10 D Charles Schumer (80)\*
- 11 D Edolphus Torres (82)
- 12 D Major Owens (82)
- 13 D Stephen Salts (74)
- 14 R Guy Molinari (80)
- 15 R S. William Green (78)
- 16 D Charles Rangel (70)\*
- 17 R Robert Weiss (76)
- 18 D Robert Garcia (78)
- 19 D Doug Walgren (76)
- 20 D William Goodling (74)
- 21 D Joseph Gaydos (68)\*
- 22 R Thomas Ridge (82)
- 23 D Austin Murphy (78)\*
- 24 R William Clinger (78)

## North Carolina

- 1 D Walter Jones (66)
- 2 D L.T. Valentine (82)
- 3 D H. Martin Lowmyer (78)
- 4 D David Price (R)
- 5 D Stephen Neal (74)
- 6 D Undecided (R)
- 7 D Charles Rose III (72)
- 8 D W.G. Heffner (74)
- 9 R J. Alex McMillan (84)
- 10 R Thomas Blalock (R)
- 11 D Undecided (R)

## North Dakota

- AL D Byron Dorgan (80)

## Ohio

- 1 D Thomas Luken (74)
- 2 D Willis Gradison Jr (74)
- 3 D Tony Hall (78)
- 4 R Michael Oxley (81)
- 5 R Delbert Latta (88)
- 6 R Bob McEwen (80)
- 7 R Michael DeWine (82)\*
- 8 R Donald Luken (82)
- 9 R Marcia Kaptur (82)
- 10 R Clarence Miller (66)
- 11 D Dennis Eckart (80)
- 12 R John Kasich (82)
- 13 D Donald Sawyer (D)
- 14 D Thomas Switzer (D)
- 15 R Chalmers Wicks (66)
- 16 R Ralph Regula (72)
- 17 D James Traficant Jr (84)
- 18 R Douglas Applegate (76)\*
- 19 D Edward Feighan (82)
- 20 D Mary Rose Oakar (76)
- 21 D Louis Stokes (68)

## Oklahoma

- 1 R James Iahola (D)
- 2 D Michael Synar (78)
- 3 D Wesley Watkins (76)
- 4 D Dave McCurdy (80)
- 5 R Marvin Edwards (76)
- 6 D Glenn English (74)\*

## Oregon

- 1 D Les Aspin (74)
- 2 R Robert Smith (82)
- 3 D Ronald Wyden (80)
- 4 D Peter DeFazio (82)
- 5 D Penny Smith (80)

## Pennsylvania

- 1 D Thomas Foglietta (80)
- 2 D William Gray III (78)\*
- 3 D Robert Borski (82)
- 4 D Joseph Kefauver (82)
- 5 D Richard Schulze (74)
- 6 D Gus Yatron (68)
- 7 R W. Curtis Walden (R)
- 8 D Peter Kostmayer (76)
- 9 R Bob Shuster (72)\*
- 10 R Joseph McDade (62)
- 11 D Paul Kanjorski (84)
- 12 D John Murtha (84)
- 13 D Guy Molinari (68)
- 14 D William Coyne (80)\*
- 15 R Donald Ritzler (78)
- 16 R Robert Walker (76)
- 17 D George Glavin (82)
- 18 D Doug Walgren (76)
- 19 R William Goodling (74)
- 20 D Joseph Gaydos (68)\*
- 21 R Thomas Ridge (82)
- 22 D Austin Murphy (78)\*
- 23 R William Clinger (78)

## Rhode Island

- 1 D Fernand St Germain (60)
- 2 D Claudine Schneider (80)

## South Carolina

- 1 R Arthur Ravenel Jr (R)
- 2 R Floyd Spence (70)
- 3 D Butler Derrick (74)
- 4 D Elizabeth Patterson (R)
- 5 D John Spratt Jr (82)
- 6 R Robert Toller Jr (82)

## South Dakota

- AL D Tim Johnson (D)

## Tennessee

- 1 R James Quillen (62)
- 2 R John Duncan (64)
- 3 R Marilyn Lloyd (74)
- 4 D James Cooper (82)\*
- 5 D William Boush (78)
- 6 D Barton Gordon (84)
- 7 R Donald Sundquist (82)
- 8 D Ed Jones (69)
- 9 D Harold Ford (74)\*

## Texas

- 1 D Jim Chapman (85)\*
- 2 D Charles Wilson (72)
- 3 D Steve Bartlett (82)\*
- 4 D Ralph Hall (80)
- 5 D John Bryant (82)
- 6 R Joe Barton (84)
- 7 R Bill Archer (70)
- 8 R Elia Eddle (80)
- 9 D Jack Brooker (82)
- 10 D J.L. Pickle (63)
- 11 D James Leath (78)\*
- 12 D Albert Broussard (82)
- 13 R Elton Bess Brouder (84)
- 14 D Undecided (R)
- 15 D E. de la Garza (64)\*
- 16 D Ronald Coleman (82)
- 17 D Charles Stenholm (78)\*
- 18 R Larry Combest (84)
- 19 D Henry Gonzalez (61)\*
- 20 R Lamar Smith (84)
- 21 R Thomas Delay (84)
- 22 R Robert Bonior (84)\*
- 23 D Martin Frost (78)
- 24 D Michael Andrews (82)\*
- 25 R Richard Armitage (84)
- 26 R Solomon Ortiz (82)
- 27 D Undecided (R)

## Utah

- 1 R James Hansen (80)
- 2 D Wayne Owens (80)
- 3 R Howard Nielson (82)

## Vermont

- AL R James Jeffords (74)\*

## Virginia

- 1 R Herbert Bateman (82)
- 2 D Owen Fickert (80)
- 3 R Thomas Bliley Jr (80)
- 4 D Norman Sisisky (82)\*
- 5 D W.C. Daniel (68)\*
- 6 D James Olin (82)
- 7 R D. French Slaughter (84)\*
- 8 R Stanford Farris (72)\*
- 9 D Frederick Boncher (82)\*
- 10 R Frank Wolf (88)

## Washington

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## ● Lame duck President

## ● Foreign Policy setback

## ● Star Wars under threat

# Disenchanted voters deal blow to hopes of Reagan free hand

From Michael Binyon, Washington

President Reagan may be one of the most popular presidents this century, but Reaganism has clearly lost its lustre.

Reagan's rejection of Republican candidates in nine states with a convincing victory for the party in only Missouri, came despite Mr Reagan's intensive campaigning in 13 marginal states and his emotional plea for a free hand to complete his final two years in office.

It is a bitter personal blow and one that, willy-nilly, now makes him a lame duck.

The President had tried to make the election a referendum on his record and on national issues — the economy, arms control, the Iceland summit.

But the candidates concentrated on local issues, and the voters were swayed by the strength of individual candidates as well as regional concerns: the crisis on the farms, or the loss of jobs to foreign imports. Party labels played little part. As many predicted, Mr Reagan had short cost-tails.

The political implications of the dramatic Democratic gains are many. With both houses of Congress now controlled by the opposition, it will be harder for the President to control the political agenda.

He will face stiffer opposition to his defence build-up, and especially to his Strategic Defence Initiative on space weapons. He will run into more sustained criticism of his handling of the main foreign policy issues, particularly Central America, South Africa and arms control.

And he will be thwarted in his plan to reduce the deficit by cutting spending without raising taxes.

He will find it harder to get Senate confirmation of his appointees, especially in the judiciary. And he will have to use his veto more often.

Mr Reagan has insisted he will not be daunted. "The goals themselves will not change. It could be tougher, but it won't alter the agenda," his spokesman, Mr Larry Speakes, said yesterday.

A pragmatist and a skilful political operator, Mr Reagan will seek to get his way with last-minute deals and compromises. He will make unbridled use of his national popularity, with frequent television appeals over the heads of Congress.

He will concentrate more on the areas where he can build consensus — in pursuing arms

talks with the Russians or in the burning issue of trade protectionism to halt the flood of imports.

But for the Democrats, the Senate victory is not an unqualified blessing. Indeed many strategists have given a warning that it could make a Democratic win in the 1988 presidential election more difficult, especially if the party is seen as obstructionist, blocking effective government in Washington and refusing to rise above partisan politics on the main domestic and foreign issues.

Saddled with the responsibility of shaping the Senate's agenda and priorities, the Democrats have to avoid being blamed by Mr Reagan for any and every setback.

They fully realize the dangers. "I would hope we would not see a fortress White House that feels it is under siege," said Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia, who is expected to take over as Senate majority leader as he was before 1980. "We Democrats

feel that for the good of the country we all want to co-operate."

Nevertheless, in the words of Mr Thomas O'Neill, the Speaker who has just retired, "if there was a Reagan revolution, it's over". The President's ideological supporters on the right will be disappointed.

He will be emboldened to pay less attention to those on his right — who have long acted like the keepers of his conscience — by the poor showing of all candidates supported by the far right and by the Christian fundamentalists. The election has important implications for 1988. Some potential contenders for the White House have had their positions strengthened, whereas others are now at a disadvantage.

Governor Mario Cuomo of

New York has built on his impressive reputation with an overwhelming victory in his home state, and emerges as a likely front-runner for the Democrats.

However, former Senator Gary Hart has also been identified by television polls as a still popular figure with national exposure. He was helped by the fact that his hand-picked successor, Governor Tim Wirth, scraped into the Senate for the Democrats in Colorado despite tough opposition from Mr Ken Kramer.

The Republicans Vice-President, Mr George Bush, has put himself even further ahead. He was spared the embarrassment of a 50-50 tie in the Senate, which would have kept him captive in Washington to deliver the tie-breaking votes. But Senator Robert Dole, the majority leader until last Tuesday, has seen his chances dim, as his power on Capitol Hill is diminished.

And former Senator Paul Laxalt, a close friend of Mr Reagan who had considered running if a Republican succeeded him in Nevada, has also suffered a setback with the Democratic win, and may now not enter the presidential race.

Mr Jack Kemp, the New York state congressman, had to spend a vast amount of money to beat off a tougher challenge than expected. But polls still put him low on the Republican list of contenders.

The turnout yesterday was lower than expected, at about only 38 per cent.

However, one-in-three of the growing Hispanic community went to the polls. Many Americans are now asking whether the election campaign, widely denounced as too trivial, too negative and too dominated by television, has set a dangerous pattern that seems to preclude serious discussion of the issues, while alienating voters.

Despite internal squabbles and an apparent loss of ideological direction, the Democrats have pulled together and still appear capable of a nationally cohesive campaign. In the process many have shown themselves — especially from the south — to be almost as conservative as the Republicans they ousted.

The first six years of President Reagan's office have clearly changed the framework of the political debate. How much further influence he will have in his final two years remains to be seen.

## The Winners

# Landslide Texan leader set to fill 'Tip' O'Neill's shoes

From Bailey Morris, Washington

Inevitably, the mid-term US elections produce some high dramas in the turnover of old and new faces, the struggles between black and white candidates, the winners and losers of President Reagan's last campaign.

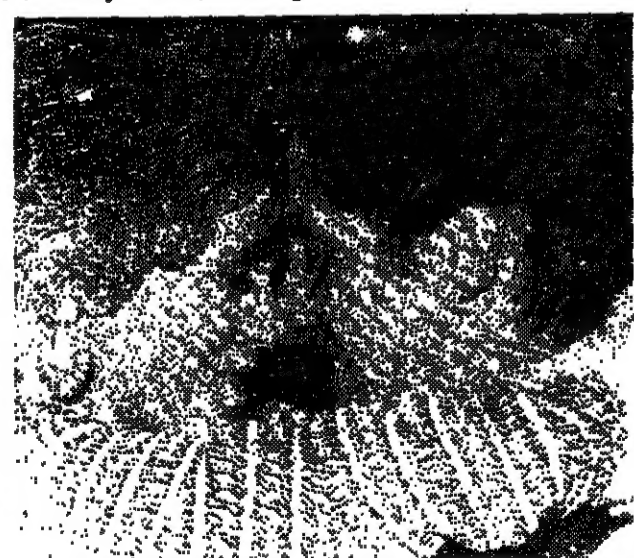
James Wright of Texas, the House Majority Leader and a born-again populist, was a big winner in Tuesday's election. Re-elected by a landslide, he is unchallenged in his bid to become the 48th Speaker of the US House, succeeding Mr Thomas "Tip" O'Neill, who is retiring.

The bushy-browed Mr Wright is in line to control a vast political fiefdom of committee chairmen, doorkeepers, pages and party officials. In sharp contrast to the gruff style of Mr O'Neill, the Texas Democrat is regarded as something of an enigma, in the silver-tongued tradition of the prairie preachers who stomped the dusty boards during the Great Depression.

Another big winner was Mr Joseph Kennedy, the second son of the late Senator Robert Kennedy, who won the seat vacated by Mr O'Neill of Massachusetts. The same seat, in the shadow of Harvard University in Cambridge, launched the political career of his late uncle, President John F. Kennedy. Mr Kennedy's son, John F. Kennedy, Jr., was unsuccessful in her maiden political run for a seat held by veteran Republican Congressman Helen Bentley, in ethnic Baltimore. Undaunted, Mr Townsend promised that this was only the beginning as her supporters cheered. "We will be back in 1988".

But Miss Barbara Mikulski, the daughter of a Polish grocer from East Baltimore, was successful in her bid to become the first Democratic woman to be elected to the US Senate in her own right.

The first Miss Mikulski, beloved by the Maryland steelworkers and dockworkers who gave her a start, paid tribute



Actress Jane Fonda hugging her husband Tom Hayden, who won a third term in the California Assembly, at a victory party for the "anti-toxics initiative".

to her sailing father in a nursing home. In an emotional acceptance speech, she said: "I know you are watching. This is your daughter who is the new Senator from Maryland. Only in America could this happen."

In the heart of Dixie, an old-South stronghold in Mississippi, voters elected Mr Mike Espy, the first black congressman since Reconstruction. But in nearby Louisiana Miss Faye Williams, a black Democrat, was unsuccessful.

Athletes scored well, largely due to their high profiles, marked by legions of fans demanding autographs during the long campaign. Mr Jim Bunning, a major league baseball star, won handily as a Republican from Kentucky while Mr Tom McMillen, a professional basketball player who stands almost seven feet tall, was narrowly declared the victor for a Democratic seat in Maryland.

Despite accusations that he was a "carpet-bagger" who had almost no ties to his native Iowa, Mr Fred Grandy, a popular actor, won easily. He



Mr Joseph Kennedy, representative elect, thanking his supporters after winning the election in Boston. The Democrats swept victory in the Senate.

## The House Leadership changes in January

Washington — Democrats increased their large majority in the 435-member House of Representatives, gaining from five to seven new seats in elections which heavily favoured incumbents, colourful personalities, and local issues (Bailey Morris writes).

Although up to five races were still undecided yesterday, it was clear that Democrats would continue their 32-year reign over the fractious House with ample margins. The final tally was expected to take another 24 hours.

But the final count, according to projections by the television networks and both party headquarters, would give the Democrats a minimum of five new seats over their current margin of 253 to 182. One projection gave a Democratic advantage of 260 seats to 175 seats for Republicans.

The margin of victory was slightly below earlier projections that the Democrats could take as many as eight to 10 new seats in the changing House. Forty-three members either chose to retire or lost their primary races.

Among the retiring members was the House Speaker, Mr Thomas "Tip" O'Neill, who has been titular head of his party for the past six years and President Reagan's chief political antagonist.

His exit sets the stage for a top-to-bottom change in the House leadership when the 100th Congress convenes in January.

Mr James Wright of Texas, the House majority leader, is uncontested for the job of Speaker. He is expected to be replaced as majority leader by Mr Thomas S. Foley, the current majority Whip, who easily won re-election in Washington State. A tight race is developing for the Whip's job between Mr Charles E. Rangel, a veteran black Congressman from New York, and Mr Tony Coelho of California, a member of the younger wing of the party who gained national recognition for his record fund-raising results on behalf of the Democrats.

In sharp contrast to the Senate, there were no unifying themes to explain the House results other than general voter unease over the economy, which showed up in exit polls. But in the House, these sentiments tended to favour incumbents, regardless of party, who were able to deliver important services to their constituents.

The allure of the "pork-barrel" issues — new roads, medical benefits, student loans — was strong.

Among the colourful personalities who ran with mixed results were two children of the late Senator Robert Kennedy, two actors, three well-known athletes, and one of America's most famous feminists, Mrs Bella Abzug of New York, who lost in her bid to regain a House seat.

## Mikulski leads the women

Washington (AP) — Democrat Barbara Mikulski won her Senate race in Maryland on Tuesday but the number of women in the Senate remained the same when Republican Paula Hawkins was not re-elected in Florida.

Another female Senate candidate, Democratic Lieutenant Governor Harriett Woods of Missouri, narrowly lost to former Governor, Christopher Bond, in their race to succeed retiring Democratic Senator Thomas Eagleton.

The nation gained a new female Governor in Nebraska, where Republican State Treasurer, Kay Orr, defeated former Lincoln Mayor, Helen Boosalis, a Democrat, in the first woman versus woman US gubernatorial race. With 74 per cent of the vote counted, Orr had 51 per cent to 49 per cent for Boosalis.

## The Senate Big swing to Democrats hits White House plans

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

Control of the Senate, the jewel of the mid-term elections, fell to the Democrats in a severe setback to President Reagan's legislative programme during his final two years in office. The defeat has immense implications for his foreign policies and defence build-up.

The Democrats had a gain of eight seats, giving them a 55 to 45 majority, a landslide that had not been anticipated even in the most gloomy Republican casualties. Most of the Republican casualties were newcomers who arrived with the Reagan landslide six years ago, "one-term wonders" as they are known.

Democrats defeated Republican senators in Florida, Alabama, North Carolina, South Dakota, North Dakota, Maryland, Nevada, Washington State and Georgia. Only in Missouri did the Republicans knock out a sitting Democrat.

The defeat will lead to intense Congressional scrutiny of Mr Reagan's military build-up and the possibility of sweeping cuts in his controversial Star Wars initiative.

His relentless appointment of conservative judges to the federal bench, which has already done much to change the ideological shape of the judiciary, will be abruptly halted.

His policies on arms control will come under closer congressional examination. And programmes like his backing of the Nicaraguan Contras, an unpopular policy throughout the country, could be endangered. Senator Robert Dole, the Republican leader, said: "I expected to lose but not by this margin. It's going to be difficult for the President."

## The Governors

# String of victories brightens beleaguered Republicans

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The impressive string of victories by Republicans in the governors' races across the country was the one bright spot for the embattled party.

Indeed, the capture of 10 state capitols, though less than hoped, is of considerable long-term importance, and may do more to bring the Reagan revolution into the daily lives of ordinary people than any changes in Congress.

Republicans made a historic gain in Alabama, where they won control of the "heart of Dixie" for the first time since the Civil War. Mr Guy Hunt beat Lieutenant-Governor Bill Baxley, who ran

with the backing of Governor George Wallace, the once notorious segregationist who retired after four terms. The change put a symbolic end to his era.

In Florida they also scored an upset victory, where a Hispanic American, Mr Bob Martinez, beat Mr Steve Pajic, a leading Democratic hope bolstered by the defeat of the Republican Senator Paula Hawkins. The Republican gain by a former mayor of Tampa shows the strength of the fiercely anti-communist Cuban community.

In Arizona a Republican car dealer, Mr Evan Mecham, won in a three-way race over Democrat Ms Carolyn Warner, a school superintendent. This deeply conservative state, formerly represented in the Senate by Mr Barry Goldwater, had been governed by a leading moderate Democrat, Mr Bruce Babbitt, who has presidential ambitions of his own.

One of the biggest victories also came in Texas, a vital southern state, when Mr Bill Clements, a 69-year-old oilman, staged a comeback, throwing out of office Governor Mark White, the Democrat who defeated him four years ago.

Mr White appears to have suffered from the disastrous slump in oil prices which has badly hurt the Lone Star state. The race was one of the most bitter and controversial in the country, with mud-slinging television advertisements portraying Mr Clements as an insensitive loud-mouth, and Mr White as a free-spending liar.

The sweep of state capitals also included the capture of New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas and three other states where there were tight races: Maine, Wisconsin and South Carolina.

That gave the Republicans 10 gains. But the party also suffered three big losses in Pennsylvania, where a Democrat, Mr Robert Casey, defeated Mr William Scranton III, the son of a former governor and presidential candidate in Oregon, where Mr Neil Goldschmidt, a Democrat, beat Ms Norma Jean Paulus; and in Tennessee where a Democrat captured the state formerly held by the popular Republican, Governor Lamar Alexander.

In the nation's 10 largest states there was, as a whole, no change.

Governor Mario Cuomo of New York, a secular Democratic incumbent and possible presidential nominee, trailed home to victory over Mr Andrew O'Rourke, a Republican who had little chance of victory.

And in California Governor George Deukmejian, a Republican, successfully fended off a renewed challenge from Mr Tom Bradley of Los Angeles. And in Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis, a well-liked Democrat, won an easy victory.

In the first governor's race between women, Ms Kay Orr, a Republican, beat Ms Helen Boosalis, a former mayor of Lincoln. And the incumbent Democratic Governor of Vermont, Mr Richard Kunin, fended off a challenge from her rival.

will go to Senator Patrick Leahy of Vermont, a liberal, and sharp critic of Reagan farm policies. He will press for greater farm exports and farm aid.

Conservative southern Democrats will be at the helm of the budget committee. The finance committee will go to Senator Lloyd Bentsen of Texas, who favours a harder line against foreign export subsidies. The intelligence committee will be taken over by Senator David Boren of Oklahoma, a conservative.

The triumph of Democrats in North and South Dakota demonstrated anger in the farm belt over Mr Reagan's agricultural policies.

In North Carolina an intensive Republican campaign failed to halt victory by Mr Terry Sanford, a former governor, who had been out of politics for 20 years.

The Democratic victory in Nevada is a blow to the presidential ambitions of Mr Paul Laxalt, the former Republican incumbent, who retired to pursue his White House campaign.

The triumph of Senator Alan Cranston, a liberal in California, to an unprecedented fourth term is especially sweet to Democrats in view of personal attacks by Mr Reagan.

The Colorado race was almost a dead heat, with Mr Tim Wirth, a liberal Democrat squeezing home. The seat was held by Mr Gary Hart, who stepped down to pursue his presidential ambitions.

The South did not defect to Republicans en masse despite the Republican victory in Missouri. Talk of early fundamental realignment from Dixie's historical association with the Democrats is for the time being dead.



## WORLD SUMMARY

## France seeks EEC help in sheep war

Paris — The French Government has asked the European Commission to help French sheep farmers in an attempt to end the month-old sheep war between Britain and France (Diana Geddes writes).

French farmers are threatening more road blocks and to hijack more British lorries unless an immediate solution is found to the problem of falling sheepmeat prices in France.

The EEC sheepmeat management committee is due to examine the French Government's request for immediate short-term aid for the farmers at the end of this week. It will also consider advancing the date for renegotiating the EEC sheepmeat support regime, which is deemed to favour farmers.

French farmers complain that since the present EEC regime came into force six years ago, imports of British mutton have risen by 87 per cent, doubling the French sheepmeat trade deficit to a total of 1.5 billion francs (£107,526,900).

## Libya link concern Gurkha protest

Nairobi — Mr Chester Crocker, the American Assistant Secretary of State for Africa, yesterday said the US was concerned about links between the Sudan and Libya (Charles Harrison writes).

"We are concerned wherever the Libyans misbehave beyond their boundaries. We have expressed our views very directly to the Sudan," he said.

Delhi (Reuter) — India's leading opposition groups stormed out of Parliament yesterday as a row erupted over remarks by Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, on the Gurkha campaign for a homeland in West Bengal.

The protest followed a refusal by the Speaker of the Lok Sabha, the lower house, to allow a debate on Mr Gandhi's remarks.

## Basques held

Madrid — The Spanish Interior Ministry yesterday praised collaboration against terrorism by the French police after a raid at Hendaye, just across the frontier, which led to the detention of 30 people, several of them Spanish Basques suspected of having ETA connections (Richard Wigg writes). The action came just before today's visit to Madrid by M Jacques Chirac, the French Prime Minister, who will have talks, in which terrorism will feature heavily, with Señor Felipe González, his Spanish opposite number.

The French police found arms, explosives, police uniforms and more than £100,000 in foreign currencies. Seven people were being questioned yesterday.

The raid was announced jointly by the French and Spanish deputy interior ministers at a meeting of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

## Western governments on defensive Shevardnadze scores in war for minds

From Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent, Vienna

The struggle for European hearts and minds in the aftermath of the Reykjavik summit yesterday took another turn for the worse.

A speech by Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, threw Western governments, and particularly Britain and France, on to the defensive.

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, failed to redress the balance when he spoke soon after Mr Shevardnadze at the European Conference on Security and Co-operation in Vienna.

Western diplomats commented that although the facts had not changed, the Soviet Union had again shown itself more adroit in public relations. One official spokesman protested at the glibility of Western newsmen who thought Mr Shevardnadze had made fair points.

In an argument certain to carry broad appeal, Mr Shevardnadze said Nato had calculated that the Kremlin would never accept the retention of British and French deterrents as a condition for a deal to rid Europe of intermediate range nuclear (INF) missiles.

He told foreign ministers of the 35-nation forum: "Now, when we have generously made a bold and, for the US, somewhat risky concession, we are being presented with a modern version of the comedy *Much Ado About Nothing*."

"In other words, they were bluffing. Are our missiles in Europe a threat while theirs

are just an assortment of chocolates from a fancy box? It is regrettable that some political leaders are not prepared to think in terms of a nuclear-free Europe."

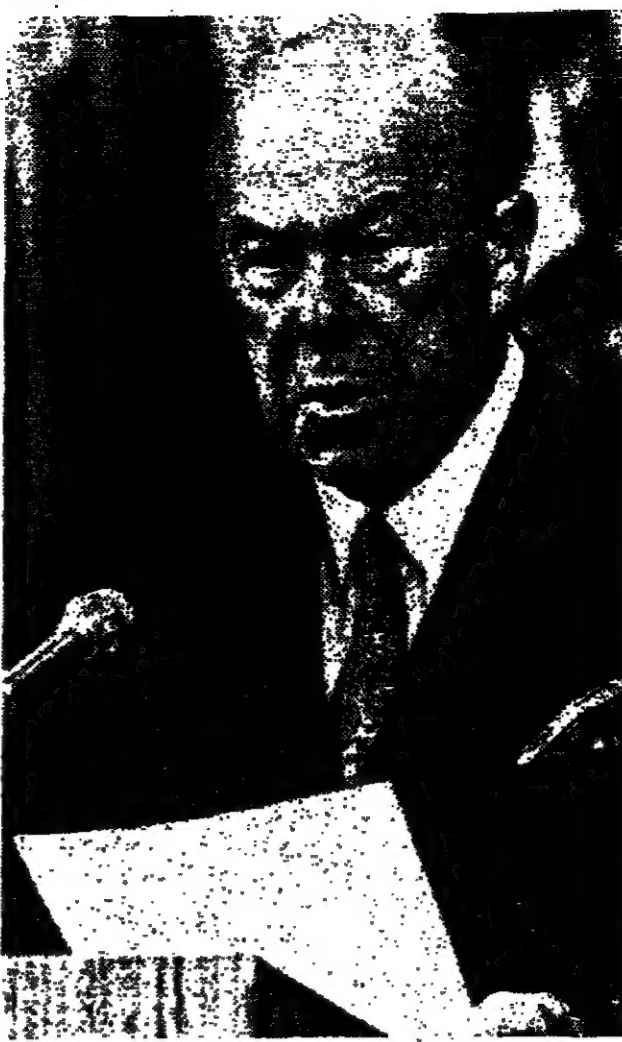
Government sources pointed out that the speech skillfully exploited public confusion between two main strands of disarmament policy. It was vital to distinguish between the search for a deal on INF alone and the more ambitious Reykjavik proposal for a nuclear-free world.

The British Government conditions for the former were retention of Polaris/Trident, a deal covering INF in Asia and provision for reduction of short range missiles.

Britain and most other West European governments believe conditions exist for a deal, but the Soviet Union has blocked the path by linking it to Star Wars, the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

The second strand of British policy covers the conditions for the Reykjavik proposals. The Government could accept any cut in strategic weapons up to 50 per cent without making it conditional on troop cuts.

Mr Shultz's speech did not directly answer Mr Shevardnadze's points. Explaining American refusal to abandon Star Wars, he said: "This we cannot accept. The West needs a vigorous SDI programme as permitted by the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, both as an investment in and insurance for a safer and more stable strategic balance."



Mr Shultz, the US Secretary of State, speaking in Vienna.

## Genscher apologizes

Vienna — Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, has apologized to Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, his Soviet counterpart, over a gaffe by Chancellor Kohl of West Germany (Andrew McEwen writes).

An analogy between Mr Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, and Dr Goebbels, the Nazi propaganda chief, attributed to the Chancellor by an American magazine caused a rift between Moscow and Bonn. The Kremlin cancelled two visits to Moscow by senior West German officials.

## Scepticism greets reshuffle of Pretoria Cabinet

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

The Cabinet reshuffle announced on Tuesday by President Botha of South Africa, failed yesterday to impress his political opponents as presaging any significant change in style or policy, except possibly towards even greater authoritarianism.

The generally pro-Government Afrikaans press was broadly sympathetic, welcoming what it saw as a streamlining of the Cabinet and the promotion of younger men, but English language newspapers and opposition parties dismissed it.

Mr Colin Eglin, the leader of the Progressive Federal Party (PFP), said the new Cabinet did not inspire confidence that it would be able "to break out of the political log-jam".

Mr Botha, he said, had "missed a golden opportunity of re-vitalizing a jaded Cabinet with some new blood from outside" — a reference to the President's failure to appoint any top businessmen to the Cabinet or to increase the number of responsibilities of its Indian and Coloured (mixed-race) members.

Mr Botha is to meet 200 top businessmen in Pretoria tomorrow to discuss the economic and political future of the country, and it had been speculated that he might have made a gesture by appointing some outsiders with business expertise to Cabinet posts.

The business conference is already being dismissed in some quarters as a waste of time and a number of leading businessmen have announced that they will not be able to attend because of engagements abroad.

They include Mr Gavin Reilly, the chairman of the Anglo American Corporation, Mr Tony Bloom, chairman of the Premier Group, both leading advocates of faster political change, and Mr Sam Masekane, the President of the National African Federated Chambers of Commerce.

Two aspects of the Cabinet changes that have aroused interest are the concentration of the Government's propaganda apparatus under President Botha's direct control, and the re-structuring of the economic ministries into a single department. Responsibility for the South African Broadcasting Corporation has been transferred from the Foreign Ministry to the President's Office, which also controls the Information Department and the Bureau for Information.

The new head of the Information Department, answering directly to President Botha and with the rank of a deputy minister, is Mr Stoffel Van Der Merwe, a backbench MP of the ruling National Party with, by South African standards, a relatively enlightened reputation.

That does not mean he is a raging liberal. In his first comment on his new job, Mr Van Der Merwe said there were "some facets of political policy which cannot be divulged to the public".

Some dropped out following a bitter row between the organizers with Sephardic Jews angrily denouncing the leader, Mr Lutfi Dor, of making an Ashkenazi takeover of the trip.

More were put off by a warning from Mr Yosef Harish, the Attorney-General, that he would prosecute all who went under the new anti-terrorism laws which make it illegal for Israelis to meet members of the PLO.

The group expect to be arrested when they return tomorrow.

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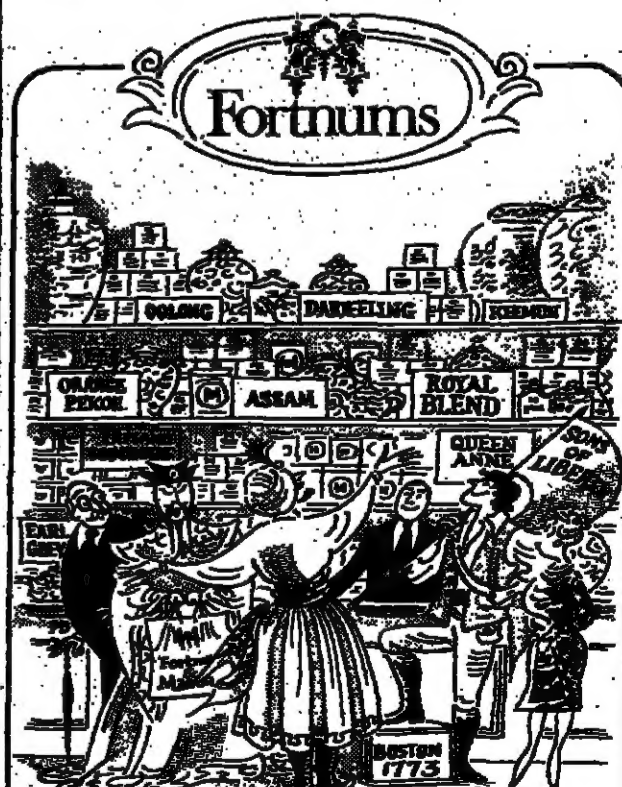
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Dear Teacher,

I think it most important that you should have the precise details of what I have said on school teachers' pay and conditions of service.

I announced in the House of Commons on 30 October that teachers' pay should be increased on average by 16.4% by 1 October 1987, with the first 8.2% of that increase payable from 1 January 1987. By 1 October 1987 the existing pay scales would be replaced by new scales:

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- Head teachers' salaries, according to size of school, of £15,500 to £30,500

The tables below show current salaries and proposed salaries for October 1987.

Teachers' professional obligations should be clearly defined, so that teachers, head teachers, employers and parents know exactly where they stand. The panel below sets out the definition I propose.

Yours sincerely,  
Kenneth Baker

## Proposed salaries for October 1987

Scales 1 and 2		Scale 3		Scale 4		Senior Teacher	
Present Salary	New Salary	Present Salary	New Salary	Present Salary	New Salary	Present Salary	New Salary
6,423	7,600	8,910	10,800	10,533	14,800	11,349	16,500
6,696	7,600	9,204	11,700	10,986	15,500	11,778	16,500
6,900	7,600	9,501	11,700	11,349	15,500	12,201	16,500
7,107	7,900	9,804	12,300	11,778	15,500	12,627	16,500
7,302	7,900	10,170	12,300	12,201	15,500	13,053	16,500
7,560	8,200	10,533	12,900	12,627	15,500	13,656	16,500
7,824	8,500	10,986	13,600	13,053	15,500	14,151	16,500
8,085	9,200	11,349	13,600	13,656	15,500	14,838	16,500
8,364	9,200	11,778	13,600	14,151	16,500	15,330	17,500
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8,910	10,000	12,627	14,500				
9,204	10,800						
9,501	10,800						
9,804	11,400						
10,170	11,400						
10,533	12,000						
10,986	12,700						

For each of Scales 3 and 4 and Senior Teacher two levels of allowance are proposed. In general, teachers below the top of scale would be assimilated to the lower allowance and those on the top of scale to the higher allowance.

SCHOOL GROUP		DEPUTY HEADS		HEADS	
		Present Scale Maximum	New Salary	Present Scale Maximum	New Salary
1		—	—	12,195	15,500
2		11,163	14,750	12,675	16,000
3		11,163	14,750	13,203	16,500
4		12,000	15,000	14,175	17,000
5		12,846	15,375	15,243	17,750
6		13,179	15,750	16,236	19,000
7		13,878	16,250	17,148	20,000
8		14,517	17,000	18,273	21,250
9		15,288	18,000	19,587	22,750
10		16,185	19,000	20,766	24,250
11		16,929	19,750	22,332	26,000
12		17,820	20,750	23,700	27,750
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14		19,104	22,250	26,259	30,500

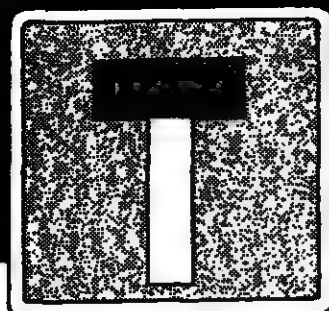
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### Teachers' duties

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  - Individual teachers will not all be called upon to carry out all these duties
  - Teachers' work cannot all be carried out within pupils' timetabled hours
  - Teachers' work need not all be carried out on school premises
  - But a substantial proportion of a teacher's work must be carried out at the direction of the head teacher
  - The teacher time available for work at the direction of the head teacher should be 1,300 hours a year spread over 195 days.
1. Plan, prepare, determine and review as necessary personal teaching methods and work programmes.
  2. Teach and ensure the discipline and safety of assigned timetabled classes and groups, with the different educational needs of pupils in mind.
  3. Set, mark and record pupils' work.
  4. Promote the general progress and welfare of a class or group of pupils, and provide initial guidance or counselling on educational, social and career matters.
  5. Assess and record pupils' personal and social needs, development, progress and attainment; provide or contribute to oral or written assessments and reports on individual pupils and groups.
  6. Contribute to and participate in formal performance appraisal and review, team planning, self-evaluation, in-service training and professional development in assigned areas of the curriculum, and pastoral arrangements.
  7. Advise and co-operate with colleagues on teaching programmes, methods, equipment and materials within assigned areas of the curriculum.
  8. Co-operate with appropriate specialist agencies and other appropriate outside bodies.
  9. Ensure the safety and good order of pupils by carrying out an appropriate share of supervision on pupils' arrival at and departure from school, on dispersal and assembly at the beginning and end of the midday break, whenever pupils are authorised to be on school premises—with the exception of the midday break—and elsewhere when pupils are the responsibility of the school.
  10. Consult and liaise with parents, attending meetings arranged for that purpose.
  11. Participate in staff meetings and activities.
  12. Undertake an appropriate share of the collective staff responsibility to substitute for an absent colleague when required, within limits as agreed.
  13. Carry out an appropriate share of such administrative and organisational tasks as flow naturally from the above duties.
  14. Take part in arrangements for presenting pupils in public examinations, and contribute expertise to the preparation and development of courses of study and teaching materials in response to changes in public examinations and assessment procedures.
  15. Contribute as required to the appointment, induction, professional development and assessment of junior colleagues, including new entrants to teaching.
  16. Co-ordinate the work of other teachers, as required, taking a leading professional role in the review, development and management of assigned curricular, pastoral or organisational activities.
  17. Supervise ancillary staff where designated to do so.
  18. Order and allocate appropriate equipment and materials.
  19. Carry out such other related duties and responsibilities at the school as may reasonably be allocated, as need arises, by the head teacher.

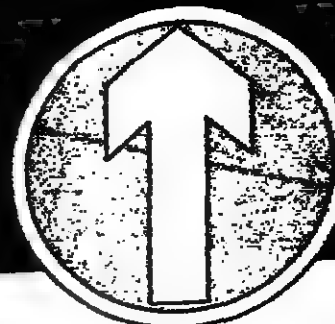


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## Sydney court demands Thatcher files on suspect former spy chief

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

Britain has been ordered by an Australian court to divulge by next Wednesday background documents, including "damage-containment" briefings, relating to Mrs Thatcher's statement to the Commons in 1981 that Sir Roger Hollis, former head of MI5, was not a Soviet double-agent.

The British Government has also been ordered to disclose any documents in its hands about Sir Roger's involvement in the setting up of ASIO, the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation. And Whitehall will also have, effectively, to say whether the publication of books by Nigel West and Chapman Pincher on the British Intelligence Service had official clearance.

This ruling was handed down in the New South Wales Supreme Court by Mr Justice Powell yesterday in partially granting an application by the Australian Heinemann publishing company and Mr Peter Wright, a senior MI5 counter-intelligence agent up to 1976.

In seeking access to the documents, counsel for Heinemann and Mr Wright said their confidentiality would be observed.

Hearing is due to start in the Supreme Court on November

furnish particulars sought through the court.

Mr Theo Simos, for the British Government, had argued that the truth of the allegations in the Wright manuscript was not an issue.

The Government case was that Mr Wright was prevented by his contract with the Crown from disclosing any information on his MI5 work, irrespective of whether it was true, or had been published before.

Mr Justice Powell said in his ruling that, whatever the conditions of Mr Wright's contract, consideration would have to be given to denying an injunction on the grounds that the Crown did not have "clean hands".

Information in the manuscript was already known, or was out of date, and could no longer damage the legitimate interests of the British Government.

The judge said relevant questions had been left open which documents, notes and briefs in the British Government's possession might relate to, and an order for disclosure was called for.

But he refused an application for information on police investigations into allegations of alleged MI5 wrongdoing.



Women soldiers of the Nicaraguan Army practising for a parade to mark the Sandinistas' 25th anniversary next week.

## Airman asks Managua for clemency

From Alan Tomlinson, Managua

The American airman shot down in Nicaragua with a cargo of guns for the US-backed Contras has appealed to the Sandinista Government for clemency.

Mr Eugene Hasenfus, aged 45, who faces up to 30 years in prison if convicted on charges of terrorism, conspiracy and violating Nicaraguan security, gave evidence on Tuesday to a Revolutionary People's Tribunal in Managua. He has pleaded not guilty.

At the end of more than two hours of testimony and cross-examination, he was asked by his Nicaraguan attorney, Dr Enrique Sotelo, if, in the event of being sent to prison, he would ask the Government "to be generous and compassionate so that he could return home to his wife and three small children".

Without emotion, Mr Hasenfus replied: "Yes, I would."

He was then asked by the President of the non-jury tribunal, Dr Reynaldo Monterrey, what had been the objective of his flights over Nicaragua which ended with him being shot down and captured last month. The objective had been to resupply

teams of US-backed Contras, he answered.

Earlier, Mr Hasenfus said he had been called in June this year by a colleague from his former days as an airfreight specialist in South-East Asia who offered him a similar job in Central America, which he accepted.

The colleague, Mr Bill Cooper, a pilot, was killed when the aircraft was hit by a ground-to-air missile.

Under cross-examination, Mr Hasenfus told the tribunal that the aviation companies he had worked for were civilian enterprises. Asked whether the companies transported

"candy, food, passengers or what", Mr Hasenfus replied: "We transferred candy, food, people and small arms, whatever the customer required at that time."

As lead-master on the aircraft, would he know what the cargo contained? He was asked. "In most cases I would know," he replied.

He had flown supplies to the Contras from a military airbase in El Salvador under the supervision of two men called Max Gomez and Ramon Medina, he said. Asked who those men had worked for, he said: "Exactly who, I don't know."

## 3 Britons missing in Wessex crash

Nicosia (Reuters) — Three crewmen are missing after a British military helicopter crashed in the sea off Cyprus yesterday. One man was rescued after search aircraft picked up a signal from his survival beacon.

Major Gordon Birdwood said a Wessex helicopter flying between the British bases of Akrotiri and Dhekelia came down in Limassol bay.

Helicopters, reconnaissance planes and Air Force launches were continuing to search for the three men, he said.

## Prince sued

Detroit (AP) — Prince, the pop singer, is being sued for more than \$7,000 by a Detroit man who claims he suffered nerve damage in his hand when the performer hurled one of several sharp-edged tambourines into the audience.

## Hiccup suicide

Missoula (AP) — Hiccups caused four years of misery for Mr Roy Duncan, aged 72, and drove him to suicide, his wife, Claudia, says.

## Mac goes East

Belgrade (Reuters) — Yugoslavia will become the first socialist country to have a McDonald's fast food restaurant, when two take-aways open in September.

## Afghanistan war

### Pakistan doubt on troops withdrawal

From Hassan Akhtar, Islamabad

Pakistan has expressed reservations about the real intentions of the Russians in withdrawing six regiments from Afghanistan this year — after officially welcoming the announcement in July by Mr Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader.

A Foreign Office spokesman said here yesterday that while Pakistan believed three anti-aircraft regiments had indeed been withdrawn, the armoured and infantry units scheduled to be removed had been more than replaced earlier with 60 tanks and a number of troops.

The spokesman said the withdrawal of tanks and troops from Afghanistan before the international press last month was not a wholly genuine pull-out and was staged merely to impress world opinion.

Initially, Mr Gorbachev's announcement about the removal of six regiments was greeted by the Pakistan Government with an optimistic statement that "this small step" would lead to a substantial reduction of Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

At his weekly press briefing, the spokesman also denied a Washington report about alleged detention of an explosive device by Pakistan in September and described it as a baseless report designed to influence public opinion.

The spokesman reiterated that Pakistan's modest research and development nuclear programme was solely aimed at acquiring the capability of producing a low-level fuel-grade uranium enrichment facility.

He said Pakistan had already succeeded in acquiring the capability for future utilisation in nuclear power plants, but pointed out that distorted perception in the West had held up for several years efforts to acquire a nuclear plant to be installed at Gashma in the North-West Frontier province.

DELHI: Reports by West-

## Junejo refuses to sack Sind government

From Hassan Akhtar, Islamabad

The Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mr Muhammad Khan Junejo, yesterday rejected dis in Parliament to stop the riotous in Sind by ending the ruling party's government of the troubled province, where the death toll has risen to more than 50.

Although there are signs of the situation returning to normal in Karachi, the curfew has not yet been lifted from any part of the city.

In the Orange area of Karachi, where 10 people have been killed since the violence broke out, the situation is still tense.

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It appears that the extremist Sindhi nationalists and Urdu-speaking Mubajir nationalists, who had been at loggerheads, had recently, have formed a united front against the Punjabis and Pashtun settlers in Sind province.

● Karachi: After five days of fierce ethnic clashes between the Pashtuns and the Mubajirs, in which over 50 people have died, the situation in Karachi and Hyderabad remained relatively calm yesterday (A Correspondent writes).

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## THE ARTS



## THEATRE IN NEW YORK

**Holly Hill reports on an early-season death rate unusual even by the prevailing standards on Broadway**

Drama successfully launched the graceful Judy Geeson with Kristoffer Tabori in *The Common Pursuit*

Uta Hagen maintaining her sad dignity in the welcome revival of *You Never Can Tell*



## Woe on the Great White Way

Several times a year we hear the cry "How did that ever get on Broadway?", but the first month of the New York theatre season set a record for tearing of hair and gnashing of teeth. Three out of six shows died within days of their openings, and two are questionable tenants for the Great White Way. How did so many, so fast, cover themselves with glory?

One of the casualties was *Ragtime* at the Atkinson, which met an untimely death because of mixed reviews. While I thoroughly enjoyed Mr Atkinson's antics, I doubt that his show could have survived long even with rave, because only passionate partisans of British humour would have been likely to pay Broadway prices for it. At \$35 a ticket, a one-person show here needs a cult figure like Lily Tomlin.

In the cases of the musicals *Ragtime* and *Into the Light*, their creative teams flunked elementary imagination and intelligence. A musical based on the popular *Ragtime* and *Andy* stories is potentially a family entertainment classic. A winner would have to vary the little-girl-lost formula, however, by taking the road unravelling — as did *The Wiz* with its all-black cast, or by artful resurfacing — as did *Annie* with its Rockette chorus of orphan moppets. It would also need a score with at least one

"Ease on Down the Road" or "Tomorrow". *Ragtime* followed neither of these rules and turned its dolls into duds.

*Into the Light* had imagination — not to mention daring — in taking on the theme of enlightenment through a story including the scientific investigation of the Shroud of Turin, the linen cloth some believe to have been Christ's burial wrapping. The show's creators lacked intelligence — not to mention taste — in making fun of the shroud's caretakers: a devil-may-care cardinal, a pompous church politician and a prancing chorus of nuns and clerics.

In one dirty cardinal described his early hardships, including "For a decade my abbot/Would chase anyone in a habit". In one scene, a scientist commented about the stains on the wrist of the man whose crucified image is imprinted on the shroud: "Don't worry, Father. If that stuff's blood, we'll nail it." Advertised as "the musical which brings Broadway into the 21st century", *Into the Light* was enough to make one want to miss the millennium.

The same producers who dazzled Broadway last year with *Tango Argentino* have brought *Flamenco* to the Mark Hellinger Theatre. Featuring seven dancers, seven singers and six guitarists, this revue purportedly offers real Spanish gypsy flamenco artists of several genera-

tions. They perform mostly in ensemble and solos, and all I can say is that, if they are pure, give me decadent. Having gone gaga over Antonio Gades long ago, I found *Flamenco* pure and boring. It may be a treasure for those capable of recognizing the real thing, but I prefer the theatrics, the physical beauty and the flaunted sensuality of what must be impure flamenco.

A similar impatience set in part of the way through *A Little Like Magic* (Lyceum Theatre). The Famous People Players of Canada, developmentally handicapped adults who manipulate fluorescent puppets, props and set pieces under ultraviolet lights while invisibly clad in black themselves, are here for a six-week engagement. The creatures and objects of air, earth and sea they show us in sketches organized around personal stories like *Liberace* and *Elvis Presley*, and outer space, are indeed a little like magic, but a little goes a long way. This is an unique effort in a noble cause, but two hours of magic tricks may not find a Broadway audience.

At least one drama has been successfully launched, albeit Off-Broadway at the Promenade Theatre. Simon Gray has co-directed with Michael McGuire a fine production of his play *The Common Pursuit*.

The characters and performances (even Judy Geeson's graceful rendering of Mr Gray's cardboard woman) linger far beyond the curtain, leaving New Yorkers longing for more literature new dramas. These being an endangered species on Broadway, there are at least revivals, and the Circle in the Square began its season with Shaw's *You Never Can Tell*. The hallmark of this theatre's productions is a plethora of acting styles careering around like racing cars in a hairpin turn.

Playing it for real is the redoubtable Uta Hagen. A Mrs Clandon who maintains a sad dignity, as if she were standing tiptoe on the bridge of her sinking ship, Victor Garber as Shaw's romantic dentist is utterly natural with Shavian style and as ardent a lover as he was a funny frenetic juvenile in *Noises Off*, a diabolical conspirator in *Deathtrap* and a beautifully-sung suitor in *Sweeney Todd*.

Just as Mr Garber is one of our best and most versatile young leading men, Philip Bosco is among our most esteemed character actors. He plays the indispensable waiter like one who knows not only his place but his wit and his show. The supporting cast has tremendous energy — sometimes tumbling into overacting — and high spirits. Stephen Porter has not so much directed as surfered this concoction, resulting in some giddy fun.

rhythmic discipline, particularly into the first movement's tricky mingling of duple and triple. Pacing this movement rather slowly, and rarely subdividing his beat, did not help ensemble. Moreover, the movement's sublime ending was marred by what sounded like a recurring misprint in the viola parts. One wondered whether this passage was ever played in rehearsal.

Third, and most important, Jarvi lacked the right sort of poetic instinct for Bruckner. One rarely heard a really hushed string pianissimo, for instance, and, though there was much metrical elongation at points in the *Adagio*, the build-up of the great climaxes desperately needed a more natural rubato. Yet there were some spirited things. The Scherzo bumped along with heavyweight excitement at a good tempo, and the string tone in the *Adagio* never lacked silkiness. Perhaps in Italy conductor and orchestra will come to understand one another better.

## Richard Morrison

Following the success of last year's "The Haydn Experience" the South Bank Centre is staging "The Beethoven Experience" on the weekend of February 6 to 8, concentrating on the Ninth Symphony and culminating in a performance of it, in the Queen Elizabeth Hall, with Roger Norrington conducting the London Classical Players and the Schütz Choir of London.

## CONCERT

LPO/Jarvi  
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Klaus Tennstedt's recurring throat illness has forced him to withdraw from all conducting engagements before Christmas. One can only hope that he will stride back like a lion in the new year, as he did at the start of 1986. Meanwhile the Scottish National Orchestra's maestro, Neeme Jarvi, has stepped into the breach, both for this concert and for the London Philharmonic Orchestra's Italian tour which started yesterday. Tuesday night's programme however remained unaltered: Bruckner's Eighth Symphony. Jarvi, however, favours the marginally larger Haas edition with its greater exposure for the Wagner tubas.

He is an exhilarating conductor of much late Romantic repertoire, and obviously deserves praise for taking on this gargantuan work at short notice. But I wish he had done more to demonstrate that he loves and understands Bruckner. The problems lay in three basic areas.

First, the textures seemed altogether too raw. The brass sound did not blend; important themes were often submerged. Second, Jarvi failed to instil tight enough

## DANCE

Futurities  
Bloomsbury Theatre

There was a full house at the Bloomsbury Theatre on Tuesday night — but only for the first half of this strange programme imported for an Arts Council Contemporary Music Network tour in association with Dance Umbrella. Presumably Steve Lacy's reputation attracted jazz fans and Douglas Dunn's brought in a dance audience. Their naive and uneven collaboration with some other artists then sent the patrons away again in droves.

The music is a setting of 20 poems by an American writer, Robert Creeley. Most of the time I could catch only isolated phrases. Only when I heard more of their heavy-handed whimsicality did I realize I had been lucky until then. Lacy, also American but based in Paris, has set them in a style that may be *le dernier cri*, but to my untutored ear sounds like the sort of old jazz

Martin Cropper

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## OPERA

Tancredi  
Elizabeth Hall

where it matters: in the singing.

The title-role was sung by Kathleen Kuhlmann, an experienced Rossinian and one with his chirrup and rousades well contained in her voice. She has, too, a tone that can be at once commanding and feeling, ideal for a part that is often heroic and plangent at the same time. Above all, she showed here an impressive range of colour, from the bright warmth of joy to the impassioned determination of "Di tanti palpiti", to the utterly pure, whispered sound of her death-bed adieu (this is Voltaire's Tancredi, not Tasso).

Opposite her was the captivating Inga Nielsen as Amenaide, of whom perhaps even more variety is required than of Tancredi. Spending most of the opera misunderstood, she has plenty of opportunity for pitiable arias, and Miss Nielsen made the

most of them: her prison scene and her contrasting outburst of excitement in the same act were among the high points of the evening, and the latter confirmed her superb technical control. Only the rarest high note seemed in any degree forced; otherwise she was in golden command throughout her voice, and throughout all the exuberant decoration.

These two have all the plums, but Bruce Ford's cultivated tenor was useful in the role of Argirio, letting him down only with some constriction in the upper register. Marijke Hendriks was a darling Isaura, and Peter Salomona brought sturdiness to the unrewarding part of Orbasano, who is killed half-way through having never had much chance to establish himself. Roisin McGibbon showed off a cheery, brightly finished soprano in Roggiero's aria.

The Radio Telefís Eirann Symphony Orchestra had some problems with the score, but the horns were romantically atmospheric and there were some nice woodwind solos. Arnold Ostan conducted with admirable lightness of touch.

Paul Griffiths

## Cherubini's fierce challenge

## Médée

Teatro Comunale,  
Florence

Maria Callas sang the first Medea of her career in Florence's Teatro Comunale in 1953. The Comunale, in conjunction with the Paris Opera, has now revived *Médée* for the first time since that great occasion, with Shirley Verrett as protagonist.

In spite of an announced indisposition, Verrett gave an impressive performance, hurling Medea's curses with devastating abandon and proving beyond doubt that her voice is well suited to the part. She was often taxed to the limit of her powers, but this is certainly what Cherubini intended: a soprano who could sing Medea's music with effortless ease (impossible to imagine) would miss half the character. Verrett's limitations were interpretative rather than technical: although she acted with conviction, her singing lacked a consistent gradation of colour and phrasing to match Medea's changing view of her predicament. The result was a fragmentary performance that failed to attain real tragic stature.

Ernesto Veronelli encompassed most of the notes in Jason's part, but rarely projected them with much dramatic force. Patricia Pace was a sweet-toned Dirce, Nicola Ghiuselev a stiff, strained Creon. The highlight of the evening was Margaria Zimmermann's singing of Neris's beautiful aria of consolation, "Ah! Nos peines seront commuées".

*Médée*, composed in 1797, occupies an important place in the development of opera as a stepping-stone between the classical and the romantic. Bruno Bartoletti emphasized this forward-looking aspect of the score in a performance of great dramatic urgency, his orchestra responded vigorously, although it sometimes had to scramble to keep up with the maestro's frenetic beat.

The action was dominated by Ezio Frigerio's imposing set — a huge Pantheon-inspired cupola, tilted back so that both stage and auditorium seemed to be inside it. A world of peace and ordered calm was thus created for Creon and his subjects, only to be torn asunder by the arrival of Medea: the cupola crumbled as Cornish fell victim to her sorcery. The brilliant



Devastating abandon: Shirley Verrett's impressive Medea

theatricality of this idea was unfortunately not matched by the details of Lilliana Cavani's production. A great merit of *Médée*'s "opéra comique" format is that it does not contain elements extraneous to the essential drama: the unembroidered directness of Cherubini's music was therefore preserved by Cavani's persistent

use of choreographed extras to comment on the action or underline the story's Euripidean origins. The decision to set the work in the period of its composition gave Franca Squarciapino the opportunity to design magnificent costumes, but was otherwise unilluminating.

Nigel Jamieson

## THEATRE IN LONDON

'Allo 'Allo  
Prince of Wales

Unless you are domiciled in, say, Valparaiso, you will already know that 'Allo 'Allo is an immensely popular BBC television sit-com written by Jeremy Lloyd and David Croft. As a trailer for the third series, beginning later this month, the cast have been touring a stage version, which arrived in London on Tuesday night.

For those bereft of the box, I shall sketch the situation. The harassed, cynical patron of a café in the middle of occupied France finds himself writhing in a web of conflicting demands. Though frequented by the local Wehrmacht garrison, his establishment secretly houses a pair of twerping RAF pilots waiting to be smuggled back to Blighty, and finds itself an unwilling host to Resistance intrigue. Exercised both by his wife's conjugal



Intrigue: Sam Kelly (left), Carmen Silvera, Richard Marnes

skittishness and by his lust for the serving girl, he is simultaneously pursued by a homosexual German officer. On television, the thing has several notable charms, chief among them being its tone of a British Lion war film of the 1950s reinterpreted in the light of *Dad's Army* (which, not by coincidence, Mr Croft co-scripted). Studiously declining to synchronize their accents, the cast give the impression of a village-hall company who have somehow not been warned that their



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THE TIMES  
PROFILE

BRYAN GOULD

The first time anybody suggested to Bryan Gould, just elected to Labour's Shadow Cabinet and appointed the party's campaigns director, that he might be a Labourite he burst into tears of shame.

He was a small boy in New Zealand at the time, being brought up in one of those families where no one talked about politics but everyone automatically voted Tory (or National Party in their case).

What spark of radical zeal it was that brought the stern rebuke from his grandfather has been forgotten. And it was many years later before Gould was attracted to politics, having left New Zealand to come to Oxford.

So hard has the political bug bitten, however, that Gould, probably the most articulate and able man on the Left of the Labour Party, now finds himself one of the party's key backroom personalities in the run-up to the next election. As campaigns manager, succeeding Robin Cook, he will be in charge of the list of 132 target seats which Labour has to win to be sure of an election victory; and he will be the chief channel of communication between Labour MPs and the party headquarters in Watford Road.

He will have a vital input into the party's political broadcasts and he will be a major influence on by-election tactics. Not least, he will have to use his considerable charm to persuade enough MPs to roll up and do their bit in by-election and local election campaigns.

It is in many respects a make-or-break job. Yet as a young man Gould had no thoughts of a political career. When he arrived at Oxford, a 23-year-old Rhodes scholar with a degree from Auckland University, he found the Oxford Union and political societies of his time a little silly. On his first day at Balliol he took the voices he heard outside his room to be deliberate caricatures.

Gradually, however, he found to his concern that everyone in

British society seemed to have their place, decided on criteria such as how they spoke. There was, too, the shock of encountering Britain's vast rundown housing estates, unlike anything in New Zealand. Significantly it was housing which formed the theme of his maiden speech in the Commons.

What finally led Gould to join the party was what he regarded as the attempt by the City to frustrate the election results of 1964 with a run on the pound. A sharp animus against get-rich-quick City slickers has stayed with him ever since. But he is not a man who snipes against the City from the comfort of ignorant prejudice. Wearing no hair shirt, he is happy with facts and figures, ready to do his homework.

He carried the Labour team on the hideously complicated Financial Services Bill, which has just completed its progress through the Commons, with a mastery of detail which has won him private plaudits from Tories as well as his own side. That is why some bracket him with John Smith as a future Chancellor and it is why the second role Neil Kinnock has given him is that of shadowing John MacGregor, the Treasury Chief Secretary, who has been giving the Labour Party headaches by totting up the alleged cost of the party's policy promises.

Gould entered Parliament in 1974 after a spell at the Foreign Office, where his initial enthusiasm for the Common Market turned to disillusion as he watched De Gaulle carve up Europe in hard-headed self-interest, and some time spent lecturing in law at Worcester College, Oxford.

In his first spell in the Commons Bryan Gould hunted with the Left. He was scornful of the post-war consensus politics employed by Callaghan and Healey and became a leading scourge of the Common Market. His fluency on his feet and appetite for work nevertheless earned the approbation of the Whips and he was appointed parliamentary private secretary to his fellow anti-



Marketeer Peter Shore in 1975.

Two years later Gould was one of three PPSs sacked for voting against the Government on a Common Market measure which involved raising import duties. In a display of loyalty rare among ministers, Shore refused to appoint a replacement and soldiered on for the rest of the Parliament without a PPS. He and Gould, who later returned the compliment by backing Shore for the party leadership, remain friends.

Under Callaghan's leadership, Gould, already a member of the Tribune Group, became a leading figure in the left-wing Labour Coordinating Committee, after being approached to join by Michael Meacher. What he feared then, his allies say, was that Labour might win the election on what he regarded as soggy policies, allowing Callaghan to claim that such policies were vindicated. What he wanted was vigorous debate on more socialist alternatives.

After a while, however, he discovered that the LCC was becoming a front for the Bennites and dropped out. He had no particular animus against Tony Benn, but Gould is not the kind of man to be anyone's acolyte. (He has lately rejoined the LCC, now that it has become once again a focus for the thinking Left).

He lost his marginal seat of Southampton Test in 1979 and spent the years between then and the 1983 election as a reporter and

## BIOGRAPHY

1939: Born February 11, in Hawera, New Zealand, son of a bank official.  
1954: Educated at Danerwike High School, Victoria and Auckland universities (BA, LL.M.; Balliol College, Oxford (MA, BCL)).  
1964: Diplomatic service, in London and Brussels.  
1967: Married Gillian Harrigan; the Goulds have a son and daughter.  
1968: Lecturer and tutor in

law, Worcester College, Oxford.  
1974: Elected MP for Southampton Test.  
1979: TV presenter and reporter.  
1983: Elected MP for Dagenham. Became spokesman on Trade and Industry team.  
1986: Elected to Shadow Cabinet, appointed No 2 spokesman on economy and party campaigns director.

presenter with Thames TV's 71 Eye. Back in Parliament as member for the Ford town of Dagenham, he has notched up a number of firsts and revealed himself as a robust strategist.

He was the first left-winger to call for a drive against Militant, realizing that it would have to be the Left, not the Right, which saw them off. He was the first to call for a revision of Labour's attitude to the sale of council houses, which had proved such an election bonus for the Tories. And he was the first on the Left to articulate the attitudes which are now symbolized by the cuddly Left Kinnock style of leadership.

Ever suspicious of politics conducted by label, Mr Gould has spelt out some of the home truths his party needed to hear. The rigidity of what were claimed to be "left" positions, he insisted, cloaked an essential conservatism.

The young marrieds on the new estates, he told his party, were a class whose aspirations Labour had ignored. Yet looking for policies to replace the wishy-washy social democracy that had been carried off to the SDP, Labour was "forced to rummage around in a sort of historical junkshop where the only ready-made ideas are a clapped-out, reactionary dogma which was barely relevant to the 1930s, let alone the 1980s".

The idea that Labour could go on as it was in the hope that one day the scales would drop from the eyes of the British populace and they would embrace the Hard Left as their lost leaders was simply not credible.

Last year later he counselled that, by resorting to demo-politics or speaking the language of violence or pretending to be some sort of revolutionary movement, "we betray the issues we claim to care about and we abandon the people we claim to defend".

Few other leading figures in the Labour party have dared to dish out so many home truths. Bryan Gould's trick has been to retain the voting support of the Left while he has done it. Their affection and the respect of the Centre Right has won him election to the Shadow Cabinet, and now he has the chance to put some of his new realism into practice.

A devoted family man with two children, a keen creative cook and a reasonably fit and youthful figure at 47, the pixieish Mr Gould is personally popular throughout Parliament and a dab hand with the media. He will fit happily with the two characters who have done so much to put Labour back in the running—General Secretary Larry Whitty and Communications Director Peter Mandelson. Like them, Gould is not worried by the techniques of modern politics.

He will be happy to use polls and advertising and slick promotional videos where it helps. "It doesn't invalidate the message," he tells friends. And, as a former presenter, his television appearances will doubtless be more frequent than were Robin Cook's.

His first task will be to see off the Alliance, whose defectors, he believes, are often going to the Tories. But he does not believe in doing that with slanging matches. Gould's message will be that it can best be done by proving Labour's positive progress.

If he can do that he will be on the way to a glittering future. In Jeffrey Archer's *First Among Equals* that other Labour Gould, Raymond, came through to the very top. It is not impossible that Bryan Gould, the new man with the red rose in his buttonhole, could eventually do so too.

Robin Oakley  
Political Editor

Mystery of the  
lost hostage

As the world celebrates the release from Beirut of Dr David Jacobsen, John McCarthy, a Briton, remains a captive — if, indeed, he is still alive

While attention was focused this week on the American hostages in Beirut, Terry Waite, fresh his success in negotiating Dr Jacobsen's release, found time to mention the plight of John McCarthy, the British journalist believed to be held by Lebanese kidnappers. There was, he said, "a glimmer of hope".

McCarthy, acting bureau chief of Worldwide Television News in Beirut, was last seen on Thursday, April 17, when he made the rounds of the small community he had got to know over the previous four weeks to say good-bye.

On the Tuesday of that week US aircraft, some flying from bases in Britain, had bombed targets in Libya. A

said he felt he was abandoning a world he now felt a part of. McCarthy saved his final farewells for the staff of the Commodore Hotel, where he had been staying. For safety's sake he travelled the dangerous route to the airport in a two-car convoy; but he did not get two miles out of the city centre before his car was intercepted and he was driven away towards the sprawling slums in Beirut's southern suburbs.

Nothing has been heard of him since that day. His name regularly appears on a long list of 20 or so kidnapped foreigners, but he is the odd man out because no one has claimed his abduction and no ransom has been demanded.

With the severing of relations between Britain and Syria, the power most likely to hold the key to his liberation will not be inclined to help him. The reduction of staff at the British embassy in Lebanon means that his potential for release has been whittled away still further.

His girlfriend in London and his parents and older brother in Essex are fast becoming Middle East experts as they attempt to monitor political moves in the region and weigh up the consequences for McCarthy, who, if he is still alive, will this month celebrate his thirtieth birthday after seven months in captivity.

McCarthy went to Haileybury School before reading American studies at Hull University. He joined WTN in 1981 as a script writer and producer. His friends say he has an amiable and mature personality which might breach the kidnapper-hostage divide, and a very retentive memory for songs, poems and plays, which might help him cope with isolation.

Terry Waite has hinted at the possible release of two more American hostages: France is hoping that some of its kidnapped citizens will soon be freed because of a political deal struck by Paris with Damascus and Tehran; but for McCarthy the future, it seems, remains bleak.

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Kidnapped: John McCarthy

telex message from his London office had advised McCarthy that West Beirut, the predominantly Muslim half of the capital where he had been living, was too dangerous to stay in. Britons had become prime targets for kidnappers. McCarthy was reluctant to leave. Apart from the excitement of covering a war, whose complexity he was just beginning to unravel, he had enjoyed his work and had made new friends. There were the drivers with whom he had shared adventures in southern Lebanon and Beirut, the local journalists, the foreign correspondents — in particular a Palestinian girl who worked for an American newspaper. On the morning of his departure he wrote to her, apologizing for having to leave. He



Tame in the wild: at Slimbridge, Sir Peter Scott established a successful formula for bird care and conservation

## Fowl deeds by the Severn

In its 40 years, Sir Peter Scott's Wildfowl Trust has provided a safe home for countless migrating birds

The church in the Gloucestershire village of Slimbridge has a very tall steeple, topped, inconspicuously, by a golden cockerel. It might by now have been replaced by a duck, as a final marker on the flight path into the world's most famous wildfowl sanctuary, a few wingbeats to the west.

Imagine an airline route stretching from the Arctic Circle to the Mediterranean, and you have an understanding of the importance of Slimbridge and the scattering of safe havens which the Wildfowl Trust — 40 years old next Monday — maintains around Britain for an enormous congregation of wintering wildfowl migrating out of the ice-locked north.

At headquarters, in a huddle of low buildings on the flat protected side of the River Severn, the telephone is busy answering the stock inquiry of the season. Have any arrived yet? "Yes, there are five now, four more since this morning."

Apart from researcher Eileen Rees, who has spent nine years at Slimbridge studying them, Sir Peter Scott was the first to know that the Bewick's swans were back after their tremendous 2,300 journey from the Soviet Arctic.

Sir Peter is mildly amused when the face of the first arriving swan fails to jog the electronic memory. "No, of course the computer wouldn't know that one: it was a cygnet last year."

At 77, Sir Peter still actively administers his trust, living and painting in the house at Slimbridge behind the most famous picture window in the country. In his great book-lined studio even the litter bin bears the trust's motif of two swans flying in unison and miniature wildfowl crowd most available surfaces. Occasionally they squeeze up to admit a panda or a butterfly, reflecting his wider priorities.

Today he has climbed hospitably to the top of a 50ft observation tower which sprouts out of his house to show us the trust's domain — the 800 acres of water meadows which it leases and a further 4,000 acres of protected tidal mudflats beyond.

Set below us, built to Sir Peter's design, is the biggest bird table in Europe — "I suppose the Americans have something bigger now".

Beating into this Heathrow for birds come the arriving species — Bewick's swans, white-fronted geese, pochard, tufted ducks and pintail, like so many distinctively livered international jets, on a choice

of flight paths, west to east or north to south, all under an instinctive air traffic control.

Sir Peter is concerned about one absentee. For four years now no lesser white-fronted goose has made it down from Scandinavia. This bird is particularly precious to him: 40 years ago, on a lurch, he first came here and picked out the goose, one of the rarest of wildfowl, from a huge flock of more common white-fronted geese feeding on the damp eastern margins of the Severn.

And resolved that this should be the site of his trust. The first meeting of the Severn Wildfowl Trust took place in a Slimbridge hotel on November 10, 1946. Its fourfold purpose — conservation, recreation, education and research — were discussed. A wooden sign in the village still misleadingly points to the Severn Trust, although it became the Wildfowl Trust in 1955.

Slimbridge contains the world's largest and most comprehensive collection of wildfowl: 2,500 resident birds in an inner 100 acre predator-proof enclosure, drawn from 127 of the world's 147 species of duck, swan and goose. The trust has effected some notable rescues of birds on the brink of extinction — such as the Hawaiian goose, down to

Piano with a  
perfect echo

Had the officials of the Moscow Conservatoire heard about it they could have solved all the security problems over Vladimir Horowitz's return to the USSR in April, when people were prepared to swing from the light gantry in order to hear the great man play.

The installation of the new Bosendorfer computer-based piano reproduction system — the Bosendorfer 290 SE — would have allowed Horowitz to play in one hall, while wires leading from the base of his piano could have electronically relayed information to a sister piano in another hall. According to Bosendorfer, what Horowitz did in one hall would be precisely duplicated in the other. British pianists will be able to try the 290 SE out next week, when it has its UK launch at the Royal Academy of Music in London.

The respected 160-year-old Viennese firm of Bosendorfer is unimpeachably trumpeting its computer piano as a significant breakthrough in piano technology. For 14 years it has worked on the idea which, on the face of it, seems only a step away from the piano rolls of old.

Those clumsy rolls of paper, punched full of holes, have now been superseded by an optical device that scans the keyboard action 800 times per second as the piano is being played, and stores the information digitally on an audio cassette. By playing back the cassette, the keys are

activated, exactly reproducing the performance. The stored performance can be edited and mistakes corrected with the help of a computer terminal.

At £65,000 for the total package it is clearly not a toy. Bosendorfer thinks it will have two main functions: as an educational tool and for use in recording studios.

Teachers and students in music colleges, it says, will be able to analyse a performance while it is going on, and to compare one performance with another. In the recording studio a pianist could play Beethoven's "Hammerklavier" Sonata, for example, and make corrections or alterations before the recording engineers start work. The computer piano, Bosendorfer argues, could represent a substantial saving in labour costs.

Others have doubts. John Boyden, one of Britain's leading classical record producers, thinks it will be of limited musical value. Great pianists, he says, adjust their playing to the acoustics of the room. A faithful recording in one hall may be quite inappropriate for another. "In the end," he says, "there is simply no substitute for a human being playing to an audience with the minimum number of barriers between them — and with no safety net."

Nicolas Soames  
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Fig.1. The Acorn



Fig.2. The English Oak

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## BOOKS

Laughter in the dark  
by a rebel outcast

**Peter Ackroyd reviews a diary of high life and low life in the swinging Sixties; when a nobody became the Wildest sly playwright since Oscar, and came to his grisly end**

THE ORTON DIARIES  
Edited by John Lahr  
Methuen, £12.50

The shade of Oscar Wilde is from time to time invoked in these pages, and no doubt Joe Orton understood Gwendolen's remark that she kept her diary in order to have "something sensational to read in the train." Certainly Orton's own diary is sensational, but possibly not in the manner he intended, since it led directly to his death. When Kenneth Halliwell, his male lover of some sixteen years, beat him to death with a hammer and then committed suicide, he left a note for the police which was in the nature of a clue: "If you read his diary all will be explained."

This is not strictly true, however, since this book hardly suggests the possibility of such an abrupt ending. If Orton's plays read as if Oscar Wilde had been brought up on a council house estate, and had become very bitter as a result, the actual world that Orton describes here seems to luxuriate in the same vainglorious and slightly seedy comedy. The diary opens in December 1966 (just after the success of  *Loot* ) and one of the first treats is the death of his mother. She had popped off on Boxing Day, mentioning only the briefest of mentions, then Orton has casual sex with a labourer in Leicester before returning to the familial dwelling where he is told, the corpse of his mother will be waiting for him in the living room. As Orton said of a friend's startled surprise at this episode, "He suddenly caught a glimpse of the fact that I write the truth."

But of course diaries are a kind of fabrication, too, and in *The Orton Diaries* London becomes yet another theatre of the absurd: it may have been "swinging", but here it is practically in orbit as old ladies, old queens, theatrical impresarios, actors, and male prostitutes make their

entrances or exits. If some of the more amusing episodes seem to have the benefit of the prompt-book, that is only to be expected in so skilful a dramatist: this is social history rewritten by an epigrammatist and it can be very, very funny. Of course there is a sense in which it is really laughter in the dark, since over it all hangs the long shadow of Kenneth Halliwell and the hammer he took to Orton's skull. Halliwell had originally been the partner with creative ambitions, but he was failing miserably just at the time when Orton was enjoying his greatest success. It is a cautionary tale worthy of one of Bello's verses, but it is unusual only for its somewhat grisly ending. Halliwell was the archetypal companion or lover who is crushed by the juggernaut of the other partner's fame. The history of literature is crowded with such people — in his very interesting introduction, John Lahr quotes the words of Thomas Hardy's wife, "If he belongs to the public, years of devotion count for nothing." And indeed as Lahr goes on to say, Orton "edited Halliwell out". He is here in the diaries, but only just. Sometimes Orton

refers to him quite formally as "Kenneth Halliwell", as if he were a character he had invented, and his presence in the book brings with it a general atmosphere of sickness, argument, and moral disapproval. The busier and more successful Orton becomes, the more Halliwell withdraws into himself — as if he is going into a cupboard and locking the door, so that he cannot see the light outside.

The point about doom and gloom, however, is that Orton often found them irresistible. When even his ghastly relationship with Halliwell blossoms into comedy. Certain scenes in *Tangier*, for example, are of a tackiness almost beyond compare (in the holiday snaps, Orton resembles some hybrid of Mishima and a pub landlord), but Orton sees the escape into grotesque farce, with enough physical detail to fill several filing cabinets of the nearest VD clinic. Quotations are not to be attempted in a respectable newspaper. Editing, too, must have presented problems. Lahr



'Persuade him. Cut his throat but persuade him!' *Entertaining Mr Sloane*  
The tale of how murderous and macabre drama came to life

seems wisely to have left most of the journal intact, although he is perhaps over-zealous in his scholarship. Practically every reference to anyone, living or dead, is explained: surely, for example, we do not need a footnote on Dante in the middle of some more than usually exotic episode in *Tangier*? On second thoughts, perhaps we do.

And yet despite these escapades it is extraordinary how Orton's normality shines through everything — at one moment he may be playing the Rimbault, or at least the Verlaine, of Noel Road, Islington, but at the next he is discussing budgetary matters with the old lady who lives beneath him. And that of course was the secret of his charm: his ordinariness had a menacing quality, while at the same time his oddness was somehow cosy and unthreatening. Lahr says that "Orton had willed himself into the role of a rebel outcast: beyond guilt or shame."

The last days of his life are, in that respect, typical. In July 1967 he sees *The Desert Song*; he picks up stray men; he spends a damp weekend in Brighton. Halliwell himself was slowly breaking down, but Orton shows no real sign of noticing it. A friend saw him a little later, when Halliwell was clearly on the edge of disaster that killed them both. Orton was as usual, being "hilarious": "And I thought, my God, he can't see. He hasn't noticed." It is a terrible irony that Orton could invent the grotesque or the macabre without recognizing it when it was in front of his nose; on the stage he created murderous and defeated lives, but he did not know when life itself was beginning to take the same form. It is the kind of blindness that makes an artist, but it may also kill him.

## The key to the cupboard of Irish skeletons

## FICTION

Isabel Raphael

## FAMILY SKELETONS

By Henrietta Garnett  
Collins, £9.95

## HIDDEN PICTURES

By Meg Wolitzer  
Michael Joseph, £10.95

## LEANING IN THE WIND

By P.H. Newby  
Faber, £9.35

## ANSWERED PRAYERS

By Truman Capote  
Hamish Hamilton, £9.95

This is an ambitious book, dealing with the strange and diverse ways that loss can affect the human mind and body.

Death by drowning twice devastates a family living remote in a great house in Ireland. One way to cope with such grief is to withdraw from the world, denying the passage of time; this is the eccentric Pake's refuge, and provides an other-worldly environment for Catherine, his niece, to grow up in. When this paradise too is invaded, and Catherine is literally blasted out of her protective shell, she escapes into a glut of experiences and so into madness. She is drawn back to real life by a lover who can help her find the key to the cupboard where the family skeletons lie.

Henrietta Garnett has a natural gift for story-telling; and much of this novel is so good that it is easy to forgive the occasional archness and pretentiousness, and the faux-naïf opening, where an attempt to convey the simplicity of youth in brief, staccato sentences merely makes it seem callow.

Nevertheless, hers is a rare ability to create characters that breathe. Conversations that one can listen to, and places that have an authentic life of their own. There is an attractive sense of space throughout the book, room for situations and people to develop. Henrietta Garnett is particularly adept at expressing that elusive emotion, tenderness, even if sex provides too many easy answers in the latter half of the book. This is not yet the formidable talent that her publishers claim, but it is a promising beginning.

*Hidden Pictures* has a depth, poise, and serenity that belie the author's own youth; for a second novel it is astonishingly confident. Laura Giovanni draws pictures for a children's magazine that contain a multitude of hidden objects; in life, as in art, Laura learns to find what lies concealed beneath the pattern of a normal, ordered existence. She appears to embody the American dream, with a handsome young husband, a beloved child, a career of her own, and a West Side apartment in New York City; but she knows that somehow she has lost her way. How she finds it, and with whom, is so gently revealed, with such simplicity and grace, that by the last chapter Meg Wolitzer has scored total victory in a battle against prejudice without apparently firing a shot.

As Laura and David go their separate ways, they and their child have to stand firm in their loyalties and their beliefs against the pressures of society. In the end it is eleven-year-old Ian who has to decide which is more important, to share a home with a heterosexual parent, or to stay where

love is but no marriage can be recognized. This is a serious book about good people, who manage to behave surprisingly well in a situation where there are no rules.

How different from the alarms and excursions of P.H. Newby's extraordinary romp through the 1970s. It is lucky that he is such an old hand at story-telling, because *Leaning in the Wind* is the silliest stuff that ever I read. It is like a soap opera, with mini-instantaneous crowded in upon each other, and less than no time to absorb one before the next is on the air. A small cast of remarkably glib characters, who nonetheless occupy intellectual and post-colonial Africa, between witchcraft flourishes, Biscuits, for adultery in the commuter/hunting set, and an America so broadly caricatured that I began to wonder just how seriously the whole book was intended.

It meanders without apparent purpose through a series of coincidences that link an English poet-cum-city gent, Edna Parsler, with a German-American family, whose Titian-haired daughter Lisa becomes his Muse. Factional Jih Amin black magic invades the Home Counties. The narrative flits about like a mosquito, buzzing a great deal, and occasionally stinging, but never pinning down. There is a great deal of sound and fury, signifying very little.

*Answered Prayers* contains Truman Capote's last unpublished writing, three chapters of what looks like an autobiographical novel. I was going to describe it as scabrous, but as *Chambers* defines the word as only "bordering on the indecent", it will hardly do in this context. Most of the book is wildly obscene and brilliantly written; Capote could make a single paragraph more memorable than other men's chapters. If you haven't the stomach for much, at least don't miss the vignette of Colette on Page 43. Fact or fiction? In the face of perfection, who cares?

## It's no go the Government grants

Giles Gordon

GIVING IT AWAY  
The Memoirs of an  
Uncivil Servant  
By Charles Osborne  
Secker & Warburg, £15

community" became sceptical both of artists and of public funding for the arts. The Literature Panel (of which I was a member for its first four years) was set up in 1966 and attempted to establish a policy for literature — another absurd idea. Mr Osborne realized that if money were given to individual writers it was almost bound (as, administratively, it was necessary for them to apply, through sponsors) to go to third-raters — when it didn't go to fourth-raters. Even worse, they were paid to write rather than desist from writing.

ing, as if the world was short of literature or of publishers. Mr Osborne argued, down the decades, that the allocation could more usefully be spent in finding ways to increase the dissemination of literature: more readers, book buyers were required, and — frankly — fewer writers. His account, in these typically uninhibited pages, of growing up in Brisbane and endeavouring to practise as an actor and arts journalist (opera is his forte, and he has written admired books on Verdi, as well as the first biography of his friend, Auden) is too blandly, fruitfully told; and is but a preliminary to his 100-odd pages which dispassionately recount his ridiculous time at the Arts Council. Like Frank Harris, he doesn't suffer fools gladly.

they are meat and drink to him; and many puffed-up reputations, artistic and political, here take glorious falls, the quick (usually slow) as well as the dead: I congratulate the publishers on finding an unusually sensible label lawyer. There are character-revealing anecdotes by the score. My favourite is of the first Minister for the Arts, Jennie Lee, inadvertently delivering a speech Mr Osborne was about to deliver. The Literature Director suggests that Aneurin Bevan's widow had little feeling for the arts; but concedes that Lord Goodman, when chairman of the Council, found her an essential ally.

Lord Snowdon still owes Mr Osborne two-bob pieces borrowed to stuff parking meters during Council meetings. Our swinging author cuts down to size, or below, Arnold Wesker, Maria Callas ("an ignorant fishwife"), George Steiner ("fun to tease"), Peter Shaffer ("a woman's romantic writer masquerading as an innovative playwright"), Sonia Orwell ("a bully") and "the stage Irishman", Frank Delaney. Praise is lavished, equally improbably.

The little Queenslander has added to the gaiety of the nation — indeed, heterosexual artistic persons seems an almost extinct species. The pompous and humourless will loathe this book; those with less to lose will be amused and even instructed.

## Sailing around in a bleak nostalgia

Colin Thubron

COASTING  
By Jonathan Raban  
Collins Harvill, £10.95

Doctor Johnson once demolished a contemporary travel writer by roaring that he "acquired some reputation by travelling abroad, but lost it all by travelling at home." This is hardly surprising. "Home" is more elusive than Timbuktu, and Jonathan Raban's *Coasting* — the account of his circling — navigating Britain in a thirty-foot ketch — is a frustrated search for it.

He skirts the cold island nervously. He understands — but will not forgive — its chauvinism, its social pretensions, its philistinism. Sometimes he seems to be paying it back for something. In this sophisticated and choicely written book, the country is alternately sparring-partner, whipping-boy, and the rejected setting of the author's past.

The catalogue of Mr Raban's landfalls conveys little of the book's purpose, threaded as it is by memory and critique. He meets the Falklands task force heading south-west, and the jingoism (or indifference) that the war engenders becomes one of *Coasting's* leitmotifs. The honeysuckle prettiness of Rye engenders a deflationary theme on the tourist industry's "merrying of England", from Westminster Abbey to Lady Di. His visit to Dartmouth Naval College elicits recollection, "staffed by men who were officers by inclination and teachers only by necessity." (Why, I wonder, do those who enjoyed school never write about it? Or weren't there any?)

Mr Raban coasts gratefully away. He goes crabbing with fishermen off Lyme Regis, hits a squall beyond Chichester, and evokes the transformation of Lymington from his boyhood to a trashy wealth. In Brighton he has a dyspeptic meeting with Paul Theroux, who is going around Britain in the opposite direction, writing his own book.

Trying to lose his sea-legs in London, Mr Raban finds a city with no night sky, no horizon, no real weather. He escapes north to Hull to lament its vanished fishing industry. Still beset by the notion that "home" is a gritty, actual England somewhere, he momentarily mistakes this for the coal-town of Blyth, and there his written voyage virtually ends.

*Coasting*, in one sense, is a study of homelessness, of the author's alienation both from his country and his past. He describes a boyhood at once claustrophobic and centreless, a relationship with his father, a priest, which is redolent of *The Way of All Flesh* — until he disembarks for a healing reunion in which their roles are subtly reversed. This is



Raban: forever wandering with a hungry heart

awesomely well done, almost painful in its dispassion. The geographical sea-distance that Mr Raban keeps is twinned with an inner distance with an acid incisiveness. His eye for the betraying detail, for the outer sign of the inner malaise, is lynx-sharp. The poetry is in the pitilessness.

There is a moment when he meets Philip Larkin in Hull. At first this has the feel of a statutory stopover with the territorial literary lion (Theroux had done the same with Borges and Jan Morris.) Then it becomes clear why Larkin's poetry appeals to Raban. It teaches, he writes, "that there is no desolation so black that it cannot be made habitable by style. If we live inside a bad joke, it is up to us to learn, at best or worst, to tell it well."

Mr Raban tells it well. Nobody of his generation writes more subtly and imaginatively on travel. His day-to-day coasting produces an inexhaustibly vivid record of sea-changes. Only occasional awkward joints of a voyage too often interrupted, or is too thin in events for the images that it excites.

It ends at an unexpected anchorage: home. Mr Raban takes a cottage in the Essex marshes, near the sea. "I like its absence," he writes — and its wonder, when presences so often disgust him. But here in the marshlands there are no braying gentry voices, and the village church is a chapel of obscure dissenters, "living at an oblique angle to the rest of England, so far out on the country's watery margin that they had almost run away to sea." Perfect.

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# Defence: never forget the Suez factor

Sir John Nott,  
Defence Secretary  
during the Falklands  
war, argues that  
Britain's strategic  
planning should be  
influenced more by  
the fiasco of 1956  
than victory in 1982

The Suez operation took place within two months of my arrival as an undergraduate at Cambridge. It coincided with the Soviet invasion of Hungary. I felt as emotionally involved on the side of the Hungarians as I felt angry about the Conservative government's intervention in the canal zone, not least because the world's attention on the Hungarian tragedy seemed to have been diverted by the futility of Suez.

I had arrived at Cambridge after five years' service as a regular soldier in Malaya; during that time I had acted as ADC to the C-in-C Far East, who was the immediate superior of General Stockwell, then GOC. My military service and my acquaintance with General Stockwell led me to follow the military operation at Suez, under Stockwell's command, with more than usual interest.

Cambridge was rife with political controversy during that first term. A protest meeting on Suez, addressed by the Hon Anthony Wedgwood-Benn, was disrupted by the Pitt Club and the Trinity Foot Beagles; I felt a warm sympathy for Benn. There were noisy debates in the Union. I proposed the rather foolhardy motion, "That this House would risk a third world war for the sake of a communist satellite in revolt". In those debates and the ferment that surrounded them, Suez and the Soviet intervention in Hungary became heavily intertwined. As long as I live, I shall never forgive the Soviets for what they did to Hungary — and, to this very day, I feel remorse that my country did nothing to help them in their need.

Suez became part of history. Its memory faded except, I suppose, among those of my subsequent parliamentary colleagues who had been in the Commons in 1956. I seldom remember the Suez affair being mentioned by my immediate friends who came into Parliament in 1964 and 1966. A group of us were primarily interested in economic affairs. But I suspect the influence of Suez on our developing thinking was quite profound. For it was a period when a number of us were under the intellectual



influence of Enoch Powell, then shadow defence secretary.

It was in discussions in our Economic Dining Club with Powell and others that I came to believe there could never be a full measure of economic and strategic independence for the United Kingdom unless we rid ourselves of a fixed exchange rate. If, at the time of Suez, the government had been defeated by foreign exchange pressure against a pegged rate, we had to remove this prime obstacle against our freedom to act as a sovereign nation independently of the United States and other powerful allies. Yet, post-Suez, the notion that we might seek to act militarily except in alliance with our friends seemed pure delusion. Suez had shown the futility of such grandiose notions.

The Heath government came and went. Sterling was floated and the sterling area abandoned within a few months of my becoming Economic Secretary in 1972. There was a further period of opposition. We won the 1979 election and the key economic reforms, far and away the most important being the abolition of exchange controls, had more or less been completed by 1981 when I was sent to the Ministry of Defence, the most fascinating job in the Cabinet. Thankfully, for our national freedom of action, we had avoided entry into the Euro-

pean Monetary System and the associated political pressures inherent in such a system — thus keeping sterling free and politically independent for the coming battles against Galtieri and Scargill. Suez was forgotten, but it must have been subconsciously very much in my mind when I was forced, by the inability of the Ministry of Defence to pay its bills, in 1981, to review our strategic planning.

Seeing the need to rein back defence expenditure to a more appropriate level in relation to our national resources, I strongly believed then that unless the Cabinet imposed upon the Services the need to narrow their priorities within HM's strategic guidelines (which are, of course, horribly difficult for any cabinet), we would wind up in the mid-1990s with a totally incoherent set of defences. Something had to give.

Our first priority had to be credible deterrence from nuclear blackmail and Soviet aggression in the North Atlantic or on mainland Europe; decidedly not equipping ourselves for another Suez or post-colonial war. Influenced by Suez, I believed that we could not and should not be a rather ill-equipped military policeman for the world, even at the behest of the United States. If we had occupied the canal zone, what then? Were we to govern Egypt? If we were to

intervene in the Gulf today, how could we sustain it? It was clearly foolhardy for the Americans even to send troops into Beirut.

The post-Suez strategic and financial imperatives point remorselessly in 1986, as they did during my Defence Review in 1981, to the need to end the "naval task force" mentality, which is by no means the same thing as an out-of-area capability. We cannot afford to maintain two operational carriers, with one in refit, since it involves a cost in men, aircraft, equipment and supporting escort vessels that will unbalance our force levels and capabilities across all three Services.

Already, only five years after the Defence Review, the much criticized 50-ship fleet seems unsustainable.

The concept of global reach for the Royal Navy — for the balanced naval task force — is nostalgia for the days of Empire, the protection of the Suez Canal and India. It makes for a "good looking" Royal Navy, but very little else. Suez demonstrated the new world for Britain and the Falklands changed nothing.

We set out to recapture the Falklands, after the invasion in April 1982, with no large carriers and no few carrier aircraft. Had it not been for the immense skill of

our forces, under the outstanding direction of Admiral Lewin, and the great courage of the Prime Minister, coupled with good luck, the whole affair might have ended very differently, conceivably in a much greater disaster than Suez. In reality, we were imperfectly equipped to undertake such a task, nor with the diminished size of our national budget can we ever hope to be so. The muddled defence priorities of the previous two decades enabled us to do the job with a Nelsonian bravado and a rather delicate calculation of risk. By such are great deeds done. But we should not plan to equip ourselves for such an adventure again if we seek a credible maritime/air capability in the 1990s to defend these islands and its people from the real threat.

When the scrap metal merchants landed on South Georgia, I went over to the large globe in my office in the Ministry of Defence, and hunted for the Falkland Islands. A spot on the map close to the hearts of some British global strategists and bird watchers, it was largely unknown to me. I was shattered at the distance involved — some 8,000 miles, almost as far away as Hawaii in a horizontal orbit — and I recalled for the first time in nearly 30 years the terrifyingly long five days that it took those Landing Ship Logistics to get from Cyprus to the canal

zone — a mere 300 miles or so.

During the critical week between the first intelligence indicating the Argentine invasion — Wednesday, March 31 — to the sailing of the fleet on Monday April 5, the memories of Suez played a greater part in my own hesitations than almost any other single factor. I knew that Suez had been associated with political indecision, discussion within the Cabinet, United States pressure on the pound, and seemingly the inability of the Services to move their men and equipment from A to B with sufficient despatch. Each step between July and November 1956 was dogged by political initiatives sought by the United States, leaving our military planners in a vacuum.

At least we were free in April 1982 of the straitjacket of a fixed exchange rate or the European Monetary System; for I doubt if we could have withstood the German and DM zone "neutrality" of that time had we been in the EMS.

To win back the Falklands, and demonstrate our refusal to submit to brigandage, it was essential for there to be a major military response, and immediately. The country owes it to my old antagonist, Admiral Leach (for we were worlds apart in our strategic understanding), for the magnifi-

cent way in which he and his colleagues got the fleet to sea by Monday, with only about five days' formal notice.

At the meeting which took place between four of us on Thursday night, April 1 — the Prime Minister, William Whitelaw, myself and, later in the evening, Peter Carrington on his return from Israel — Suez was in the forefront of my mind and, I believe, theirs.

How, with a minimum of three weeks' sailing time, probably much more, were we to hold domestic parliamentary and international opinion on our side, even if we could get there after an 8,000-mile journey in a fit state to fight against superior force levels? And how were we to prevent a repetition of the disastrous breakdown in relations at the time between ourselves and the US? After the experience of Suez, I do not think I believed, even with a floating pound, that the time lag would make it easy for us to succeed, unless we had at least tacit American support. The diplomatic and political pressures in favour of military hesitation were very similar to those on Eden at the time of Suez.

As it happened, the long drawn-out series of peace negotiations, important as a prime objective for themselves, filled the political and international vacuum while our forces made the interminable journey south. It was our good fortune to have a genuine friend in Casper Weinberger in the Department of Defense. We happened to be in an era when political and military relations between the two defence departments were exceptionally close and happy.

But even in a flagrant aggression against British territory, it took time and the pressure of American public opinion to bring all the several elements of the administration — Department of Defense, the securities agencies, the State Department, the White House and the President personally — to our side before the United States formally gave us its support. We owe a great deal to our former ambassador, Sir Nicholas Henderson, for his splendid efforts at that time.

Suez was a disaster. The Falklands was a great victory and did much to restore the self-confidence of the nation. It made the theory of deterrence credible. It demonstrated British national resolve, somewhat to the surprise of the world.

Its outcome was almost wholly positive for the nation. But the Falklands will be the cause of a future national disaster for later generations if we allow it to distort our strategic planning. Suez was, in my view, a watershed for Great Britain; its strategic and economic lessons should never be forgotten.

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Ronald Butt

## How Ridley could rise to the rates challenge

Many Tory MPs are cross with Nicholas Ridley, the Environment Secretary. They threaten serious rebellion against his proposals for next year's rate support grant by which central government pays for that part of local spending not covered by rates. They complain bitterly that there will be a large shift of money from the shires, particularly in the South East, and from the outer suburbs, which will get less government support, in order to give more to the inner cities and some counties.

Ridley tells them in reply that 27 counties out of 39 will actually get more this year, that the figures for rate increases now being bandied about by the protesters are unduly alarmist, and that the richer a community is, the more it can raise with minimal increase in rates, whereas for the depressed inner cities (where few pay the full rate) high rates are necessary to raise very little. Besides, he has helped by raising the total grant by £2.9 billion this year.

But all this is detail. The principle of the matter is what counts. Ridley believes passionately in the free market and non-interventionism. Yet he is apparently acting in the role of a redistributionist. What is even odder is that quite a few of his critics — principally those with constituencies in the Home Counties — are anything but keen on his free market doctrines. Francis Pym, for instance, who led the shire rebellion last time, is a renowned economic wit but sits for a Cambridgeshire seat which would be adversely affected. Last year Pym argued that the allocation would lead to "wholly unacceptable" rate increases in East Anglia and would penalize the good managers to help the bad, an argument which might come more naturally from Ridley himself.

So why is Ridley risking another rebellion in what could be the months immediately before an election? Why alienate opinion in the Tory shires where some seats are challenged by the Alliance? The answer is that he has no option. Under the system by which money is handed from central to local government, the minister controls the total sum dispersed but has comparatively little control over how it is distributed. That is all done under the 1980 Local Government Act

which distributes money according to two principles. First, how rich is a community and what can it raise in rates? Second, what are its needs?

From this follows a complex computerized exercise to determine what an authority requires to provide services comparable to those elsewhere. It is an attempt to achieve equality. But what it has also achieved is that once the government has settled the size of the total Exchequer allocation to local authorities (which this government has brought down from 61 per cent to 46 per cent), the formulae of the 1980 Act take over for its distribution. Money is allocated according to what has to be spent on various services, and the local authorities which get most are those with the largest proportion of old people, people with poor housing, one-parent families and the like.

As it happens, these are also often the leftist authorities most given to overspending and indifference to how the money can be found, and frequently the most bureaucratically inefficient.

How did such a system come about? It was brought in by Michael Heseltine, whose economic attitudes are (another paradox) a good deal closer to Pym's than to Ridley's. But it was not as a redistributionist that he introduced the 1980 Act when he was Environment Secretary. For Heseltine had been faced with an even worse system under which the more an authority spent the more it got out of a finite total. Now, the more an authority spends above a total threshold, the more it costs the ratepayer.

That does not worry the big overspenders, few of whose citizens pay rates in part or in full. Indeed, out of an electorate of about 35 million, only 12 million pay rates in full. That is why Ridley is committed, as his immediate predecessor Kenneth Baker never was, to substituting a community tax for which every adult is liable, in place of a rating system with no real relationship to ability to pay. He would also introduce a much simpler grant system which would not be distorted by an authority's actual spending. But that depends on a Tory victory at the next election. Meanwhile, we are stuck with a system under which allocation is determined by "needs" estab-

lished by what the big spenders choose to spend, not by the minister who finds the money. Yet it should be a fundamental principle of government that the minister providing money should also have responsibility for how it is distributed and spent.

Pending a thorough reform of local finance, Ridley's immediate idea for dealing with the problem is to get away from the existing arrangement whereby grant lost by a local authority which overspends is put into a pool from which it is redistributed including to the overspending authorities themselves. He proposes a bill to let the Treasury have the money. But some of his Tory critics want him to appease the shires and outer suburbs by abandoning the idea and allowing the redistribution to continue. I should have thought there was a third way, which nobody seems to have raised. Why not redistribute the money to all local authorities except those which overspend?

Ridley is a man of principle who marries conviction with keenness of intellect to an unusual degree. Will he be able after the general election to produce a more sensible system? Local government spending bedevils our national life because nobody is really responsible for it. Ministers who finance it are not. Neither are the local authorities which spend so liberally within their fiefdoms really responsible to electors who vote in small numbers largely as a way of expressing current feelings about national politics. But there is another more fundamental question to be faced.

At present, the system is entirely geared to channeling money from growth and prospering areas into social support within areas which are declining and decaying in such a way as to do little good in the long run to the unfortunate who live there. The system bolsters dependency, psychological and financial, within these areas in a way which intensifies hopelessness and non-recovery at the expense of the places where growth is a better prospect. Equalization has, of course, always been necessary in local government and there can be no question of abandoning responsibility for real need. But it is time to face the way the system works more honestly than anyone has cared to do so far.

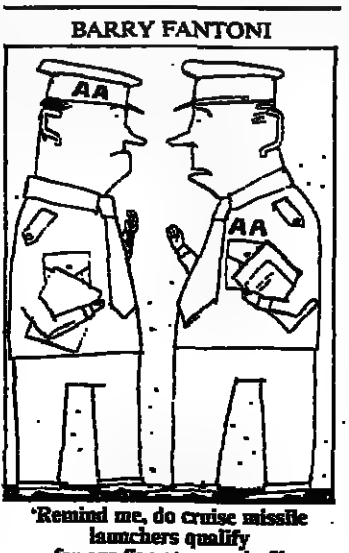
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### Swatters swatted

Britain's public schools have given a black mark to Amanda Atha and Sarah Drummond, co-authors of the jokey but critical *Harpers and Queen's Good Schools Guide*, condensed last month in our own pages. The Girls' Schools Association and the Headmasters' Conference punished them for their "irresponsible" approach to the serious business of buying a better education by advising heads to boycott Tuesday's launch party in London. Some heads, it must be said, needed little encouragement. Christopher Turner of Stowe returned his invitation with the promise: "I shall continue to do the best I can to right the wrong which you have done". Patricia Johns of St Mary's School, Wantage, finding the authors "insufferably patronising", delivered a similar reply. "Our solicitors have the matter in hand and you shall doubtless hear from them soon," she added. The only girls' head to make it to the party was Joyce Walters of Clifton High School for Girls. Without the common sense that endorsement policies cannot buy, she told me: "The book's just meant to be like the *Sloane Ranger Handbook*, isn't it?"

### Balance sheet

While King's College London and Archbishop Tutu work to set up a Desmond Tutu Scholarship, intended to cover fees and living expenses for one South African



student a year at the college, the student union is asking potentially embarrassing questions. "The college might be prepared to waive the scholar's fees but we need to raise £5,000; that is the annual figure the South African Scholarship Trust recommends for a man and his family to live in England," explains the dean, Richard Harries. This shouldn't be too difficult: the college has investments in Rowntree and Rio Tinto Zinc, both of which are active in South Africa. "We are mounting a campaign to get them to invest their money elsewhere," says Frances Taylor, the student union's irate general secretary.

Seeking, perhaps, the aphoristic to settle his political feud with David Steel, David Owen visited the Colchester Oyster Festival on Friday. Prophetically, he has been laid low with Colchester Tum ever since.

### Aggroculture

Government paranoia about the media is spreading. This week Laurena Cahill, a vivacious Irish reporter from *Farming News*, recently critical of the Ministry of Agriculture, was told she was not welcome at a press briefing by Michael Jopling, the Agriculture Minister. When she refused to leave the room where reporters were to be bored by Jopling's account of his travels to the Far East, the security men were summoned. Only a fortuitous meeting with the minister on the stairs prevented her ejection. A ministry spokesman explained yesterday that Ms Cahill had not told them beforehand that she was attending the briefing and was accompanied by a photographer — neither normally a pretext for exclusion.

When BBC boss Bill Cotton was asked by press yesterday if the Beeb would advise Kate Adie in her libel action one was answered: "With their recent track record, would anyone want the help of BBC lawyers?"

### Frost proof

John Murray, the veteran publisher, is to speak at the Bloomsbury Book Auction Sale Room this evening on the eccentricities of certain authors. They include Darwin, Borrow, Byron, Murray's old friend Beethoven and, most obscurely, one Francis Head, lieutenant governor of Upper Canada during the 1840s, who always made a point of going to his printers clad in a dressing-gown. Late deadlines, presumably.

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## Can we ever deal with Tehran?

The reports that a former US national security chief had entered Iran posing as an Irish priest to broach a resumption of US-Iranian relations have focused attention on Iran's internal politics for the first time for many months. After a period of apparent calm, in which the religious fanaticism of the Iranian leadership seemed to be slightly reduced, there is evidence that a power struggle is in progress within the ranks of the ruling ayatollahs.

A new political joke has been making the rounds in Tehran: Visitors to Ayatollah Khomeini's house, saw that he had a caged bird, a young crow. "Why have you chosen a crow, Imam?" they asked. "I want to see if it is true that crows live for 300 years", the octogenarian Khomeini replied.

The joke is a symptom of the weariness which many Iranians now feel with the seven-year rule of the Ayatollah and a sign of the decline in the respect which he now commands. What emerges from private conversations with Iranians, both inside and outside the clerical regime, is a picture of accentuated factionalization among the clergy, their isolation from the people and a general disillusionment in the nation with whatever Khomeini stands for, especially the six-year war with Iraq and militant Islam.

Khomeini is reported to be gravely ill. His voice has not been heard on Tehran radio for several weeks and the half-hidden struggle of the past few years between the many political factions within his regime has broken to the surface with the arrest on treason charges of a number of relatives and aides of Ayatollah Hussein-Ali Montazeri, the man officially elected to succeed him.

The greatest division within the Islamic Republic is to be found within the cabinet of prime minister Mir-Hussein Mousavi, which is split along ideological lines. Mousavi and most of his ministers lean strongly to the left. They believe, for example, in the nationalization of foreign trade on the model of Eastern Europe. (Mousavi recently visited East Germany and Hungary). This faction wishes the greatest influence over the daily running of the country. It is headed by Ali-Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, Speaker of the Islamic Majlis (parliament), who is widely described as already the strongest man in Iran after Khomeini.

A minority of ministers, how-

ever, notably the foreign minister, Ali-Akbar Velayati, have strong links with the bazaar merchants and support President Ali Khamenei's bid for the top job. This faction is also extremely anti-Western at present and would like to strengthen ties with the radical states of the Third World and the Soviet bloc.

Perched precariously between is the official heir to Khomeini's mantle, Ayatollah Montazeri, in the desert city of Qom. He has acquired the reputation of being a simpleton, a naive provincial cleric who often wastes his time calling on zealots to curb their excesses so as not to alienate any more of the faithful.

Speaker Rafsanjani and President Khamenei both support Montazeri's selection as Khomeini's successor, for they are themselves too young at present to lay any claims to theological supremacy. But they are evidently confident that they could confine his leadership to purely spiritual matters.

Another challenge to Montazeri's authority is expected to come from the direction of five "grand" ayatollahs outside Khomeini's circle. They have tolerated him so far, but now appear to be furious that the relatively junior Montazeri has been promoted over their heads.

How serious a challenge they pose remains to be seen, but according to one insider: "The grand ayatollahs are very powerful. One of them, Khatami, is believed to receive enough money from his followers in a year to finance the government for a few months. Also, Iran has about 120,000 clergymen and Khomeini has not been able to give official posts to more than ten per cent of them. The rest are siding with the other grand ayatollahs."

What is certain is that the clergy engaged in the present unresolved power struggle can change their allegiance at will, and that every group sees the question of improving relations with the West only as material for rhetoric and a play in the domestic power game. Most radicals, who still hold the upper hand, regard the United States in particular as the Great Satan that must not be allowed to contaminate the purity of their revolution. Rhetoric on improved relations with western nations will find support only if it brings more weapons from the West for the war against Iraq, and so demonstrates western weakness.





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## A PAUSE FOR THE PRESIDENT

Yesterday's mid-term elections have given an understandable psychological filip to the Democrats and the corresponding amount of gloom to the Republicans. To wrest control of the Senate by winning nine seats in which President Reagan himself has vigorously campaigned throughout the summer is sweet revenge for six years of defeat. It will greatly improve the hopefulness of the Democratic party's presidential prospects.

But an election in which the governing party loses eight Senate seats overall yet gains the same number of state governorships is one which resists any very simple explanation. According to the precedents of the "sixth year" White House in the sixth year of a presidency has lost an average of six governorships, seven Senate seats and 48 seats in the House of Representatives. This year, the Republicans may have lost one Senate seat over the odds, but they have kept their house losses down to a mere six and actually gained control of governorships in major states like Texas and Florida.

Both the Senate losses and the gains in governorships, moreover, can be partly explained by the accident of which parties office holders were up for election this year. With 22 Republican senators (who had originally been elected in the 1980 Reagan landslide) compared to only 12 Democrats coming before the voters, the Grand Old Party simply had more to lose than its opponents.

Exactly the reverse was true of the governorship elections where 27 Democrats faced reelection compared to only nine Republicans. In the House elections, by contrast, the incumbents' possession is equal to nine points of the law. Most interest was therefore fixed upon the 43 "open" seats in which the incumbent was

retiring. Of these, the Democrats won seven — and the Republicans won seven. What these figures suggest is that there has been a small movement of opinion to the Democrats in the context of the new political stability established by President Reagan in the last six years. The voters have shifted slightly left within a political spectrum that has shifted considerably to the right.

This interpretation emerges even more strongly when we consider the nature of the campaign. If even this modest movement of votes had occurred in response to a bruising ideological argument in which the Democrats had attacked President Reagan's economic defence and social policies, it might have greater political significance. Instead it was President Reagan himself who attempted to raise the ideological temperature and the Democrats who frustrated this appeal by offering what one wag called: "less of the same".

In these circumstances, the elections became a contest between the superior wealth and organization of the Republicans and the greater ability of the opposition Democrats to exploit economic discontents and local issues such as farm bankruptcies in the mid-west. This was a contest in which the Democrats won a marginal victory. Irritation got more votes than money could. But the larger battle had already been decided.

It is against this electoral background that President Reagan and the Democrat-controlled Congress will decide whether to compromise or struggle between now and the 1988 presidential election. It was predicted by many people, before yesterday, that a Senate loss would weaken the President's prestige and embolden the Democrats to oppose his policies on a large scale. After the fact, however,

Democratic spokesmen have deliberately avoided claiming any sweeping victory of principle and called instead for co-operation between Congress and the administration.

Leading Democrats know, both from the campaign and from the evidence of exit polls, that both the President and his main policies on the economy and defence remain broadly popular. He might respond to any frontal attack from Congress by vetoing legislation wholesale and even win popular support for doing so.

Secondly, though Mr Reagan may have lost his political majority in the Senate, he retains an ideological majority there through the election of some very Conservative southern Democrats. At least four of the new Senate intake, for instance, are strong supporters of aid for the Nicaraguan Contras.

President Reagan is likely, therefore, to have only moderate trouble with the legislative branch of government. He may find it harder to have conservative judicial appointments confirmed; he may discover that funding for the defence programmes will be pared back; he will undoubtedly be irritated by the manner in which the Senate Democrats use their control of committee chairmanships to promote issues and programmes which he opposes such as protectionism and racially based quotas. On the broad outlines of economic and foreign policy, however, he and the Congress will be able to agree on common ground only slightly to the left of the policies of the past six years.

The 1986 elections will probably be seen in retrospect as a pause in the Reagan revolution. Whether it will continue or it has already reached its apogee is something that will be decided by whoever becomes president in 1988.

## JUDGEMENT UPON THE CENSORS

Since the move of News International's newspapers to Wapping, users of public libraries in some 30 local authority areas throughout the country have been unable — for periods of time varying according to the political whim of their elected representatives — to read *The Times* on the reading room shelves. They have been deprived of their normal access to *The Times* illegally. They have been deprived of that access by people who in most cases knew they were acting illegally. That knowledge has now been confirmed by Mr Justice Watkins's judgement yesterday — and not before time.

An alarming aspect of the Wapping dispute has been the way that the armoury of a hostile labour movement has been augmented to include censorship alongside the more traditional weapons of violence and intimidation. As well as libraries without their normal display of newspapers, we have seen students revile their lecturers — simply on the

grounds of their writing for News International's papers. We have seen Labour politicians do all in their power to prevent journalists going about their daily work of reporting the news.

But a still more alarming aspect of the dispute has been the failure of the censors to see their activities for what they really are. To impose censorship is one thing. To pretend that it is not censorship, to say that an academic institution has to come to compromises on academic freedom (as Ruskin College is doing in The Selbourne Affair), to say that a library is just another public service to be politicised without a thought that it is a symptom of the most virulent sort of disease in our national public life.

It is a disease which, without due exposure, could become an uncontrollable plague. Yesterday's judgement is an important step towards identifying the dangers of this totalitarian strain in today's Labour movement.

The three local authorities

whose actions have been submitted to judicial review were, in the words of the judge, "deliberately flouting the law in defiance of impeccably correct advice". The London Borough of Camden had stooped to "transparent camouflage". "There could hardly," he concluded, "be a clearer manifestation of an abuse of power — the remedy for which it is for this court and not the Secretary of State to provide".

On that final point, the responsibility of the Secretary of State, it is just as well that the court came to the conclusion it did. For the role of the Government in protecting the integrity of libraries from the political censors has been first to claim powerlessness and second to delay.

Delay was precisely what the local authorities wanted. If the ban had been having the effect on the Wapping dispute which its perpetrators intended, then such delay might have been sufficient for the censors to achieve their ends.

## MUSICAL CHAIRS IN PRETORIA

South Africa's President Botha reshuffled his cabinet in grand style this week, despatching a couple of ministers, retiring three more and creating a slew of new deputy ministers and a host of rearranged portfolios. The question that needs to be asked is whether this flurry of activity amounts to anything more than a rearrangement of the deckchairs on the *Titanic*.

Anyone who tries to discern a shift to the right or left within South Africa's ruling party will be disappointed. The elevation of Mr Louis Le Grange to the less arduous role of Speaker will upset no-one except possibly the South African police which he so conspicuously failed to control. His successor, Mr Adriaan Vlok, who has been schooled in the more disciplined culture of the South African defence force, could provide the smack of authority which the police so sorely need.

The elevation of Mr Kobus Meiring, Mr Roelf Meyer and Mr Stoffel van der Merwe, three backbenchers of well-known "vertigé" or enlightened stripe, to deputy ministerships bodes well for the future. Moreover, the return of Afrikaner elder statesman, Mr Alwyn Schlebusch, as effective vice-president and minister in charge of the South African Broadcasting Corporation will

reassure those who look for integrity, if not imagination, in government.

For the most part, however, the changes reveal not Mr Botha the erstwhile reformist, but Mr Botha the administrator. Mr Botha has rearranged his senior and middle management in pursuit of a more efficient, though perhaps not more enlightened, government. Whether he will succeed remains to be seen.

It is common cause among the white electorate in South Africa today that the country faces a management crisis in government which matches the endemic crisis in black/white politics. Isolated from public opinion, immune to the changes wrought by reform, its bloated and inefficient bureaucracy appears increasingly incapable of coping with the normal tasks of government. Mr Botha's inability to square the circle of how to share power without losing it has left the area of black/white negotiation open to reformists in the private sector who are forging new alliances such as the KwaNatal indaba with black South Africans in a common search for change. This remains the best hope of real reform in South Africa.

Mr Botha's cabinet reshuffle may just help to redress the inefficiency of government.

but it is doubtful whether it will counter its growing irrelevance to the central question of South African politics. As a leading white opposition politician, Mr Harry Schwarz, noted last week it is too much to expect the same people who invented apartheid to sound convincing when they claim that they are dismantling it.

At this moment of crisis the man who presides over a country with a very small and thinly stretched elite needed to cast his net wider. He needs to include, if not opposition politicians, then at least business and industrial leaders and he needs to improve the managerial quality of the administration to introduce new and daring initiatives for reform.

President Botha, however, has neither the temperament nor the inclination to look beyond his own party and make the best use of his country's slender human resources. While some of his appointments are not unpromising for the future, the new cabinet reflects very much his own will — and limitations. Mr Botha dominates his cabinet in a way earlier heads of government have rarely done. For this reason the kind of quantum leap for which South Africa is searching will have to await his departure.

## Nicaragua and the rule of law

From Mr Robert Carnwath, QC, and others

Sir, Yesterday's report of the UK intervention in the Security Council ("UK attack on Nicaragua for political use of World Court", October 30) is astonishing. It was President Reagan who once declared to the UN his wish to "replace a world at war with one where the rule of law will prevail".

Whatever we may think of the merits of Nicaragua's dispute with the US, the facts are that Nicaragua did take the dispute to the International Court, the court did decide it and had jurisdiction, and it did determine the issue conclusively in favour of Nicaragua. This is not some political kangaroo court, but the supreme international institution for interpreting and applying the law. The Security Council is the body for enforcing the law.

The US response to the decision has been not merely to ignore it, but to veto any attempt to raise it before the Security Council and to compound the breach by voting a further \$100 million to promote the very policy which has been held unlawful.

No one who seriously believes in the rule of law can condone that action. To condemn the attempts of a successful litigant to enforce his judgment as "political" is simply nonsense.

Yours sincerely,  
ROBERT CARNWATH,  
ANDREW COLLINS,  
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October 31.

## BBC libel action

From Mr Michael Rakusen

Sir, I refer to the letter by Professor P. S. Atiyah (October 29) in which he argues that the risk of committing libel is an inseparable concomitant of media activities. Surely, however, the risk of incurring enormous expense in order to clear one's name is not one which should be borne by private individuals when facing public limited-liability companies or public corporations.

Perhaps Professor Atiyah might consider an amendment to Order 82 of the Rules of the Supreme Court so that a preliminary application might be made to a judge for an order that the costs of such a forthcoming libel action be paid by the defendant in any event.

Yours faithfully,  
MICHAEL RAKUSEN,  
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North Park Avenue,  
Leeds, West Yorkshire.

## The British Council

From the Director-General of the British Council

Sir, I am grateful to you for reporting (October 30) the evidence which I gave to the Select Committee on Foreign Affairs about Britain's overseas cultural relations. But please allow me to correct the emphasis of your report in two respects.

I did not accuse this Government of neglecting cultural relations. The fact of the matter is that Britain's overseas cultural relations have not been given adequate weight by any government. This national limitation, which still persists, contrasts strongly, for example, with France, Germany and Japan. We are neglecting to lay proper foundations for our future reputation and political and commercial success abroad.

There are over 50,000 overseas students studying in Britain. That number is insufficient but not "paltry". What I did say was that the number of Indonesian students — 350 — in Britain is "paltry" by comparison with the thousands that go to France and Germany.

Yours sincerely,  
JOHN BURGESS,  
Director-General,  
The British Council,  
10 Spring Gardens, SW1,  
October 31.

## Investor protection

From Mr Anthony C. Shepherd

Sir, The Government has asked the Securities and Investments Board (SIB) to reconsider its attitude on "polarisation" with reference to banks and building societies. This is in response to pressure from the banks, who wish to preserve their commercial interests.

They want to be able to continue to be seen as independent advisers whilst supporting their in-house life assurance and unit trust companies to a greater extent than can be justified under the rules of "best advice".

SIB quite rightly considers the issue of polarisation to be fundamental to investor protection. This point has been accepted elsewhere, despite the considerable disruption and extra expense to intermediaries that it will cause.

How is it that the banks and building societies expect to operate effective "Chinese walls" whilst insurance companies, brokers, investment managers, solicitors and accountants have all been deemed incapable of doing so? If exceptions of this magnitude are to be made, why bother with an Act at all?

Yours faithfully,  
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Mortlich House,  
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October 27.

## Tackling issues of inner city decay

From the Director of Architecture and Planning, Borough of Sunderland

Sir, You report (October 29) that His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, criticised Britain's housebuilders for concentrating on the development of green field sites. Notwithstanding the protestations of the House Builders Federation (report, October 30), there can be little doubt that the builders' current preoccupation with green field sites is at the expense of achieving the urban renewal of derelict sites within inner cities and towns, where it is so urgently required.

It was experience of this kind in the USA which gave rise to the "doughnut theory" — that the excessive movement of housing and ancillary facilities into the outer area sought by developers will perform leave a hole in our town centres. Reversing the doughnut theory, it may well be that we must have the "theory of the pasty" — with all the meat and filling back inside.

Disastrous once referred to the British as two nations, but now we are dividing cities, towns and neighbourhoods rather than creating one combined community which should be the base for our democracy. The days of the "wrong side of the park" ought to have gone: we are educated, we are civilised and we are one common people, so why should there be such divisions?

A bad law inevitably leads to bad decisions. Such are those which result from part 10 of the Local Government Planning and Land Act 1980. Under the Act, the Secretary of State for the Environment can direct a local authority to release land for development, regardless of whether this is acceptable in terms of the overall strategy of the authority.

One wonders, cynically, how much influence the House Builders Federation has had on both the legislation and on the recent round of directions which have been issued. Yours faithfully,  
A. T. RAFFERTY, Director,  
Architecture and Planning,  
Borough of Sunderland,  
Town Hall and Civic Centre,  
Sunderland,  
Tyne and Wear,  
October 31.

From Dr Philip T. Kivell and Professor Michael Chisholm

Sir, Everybody, it seems, agrees that the existence of large areas of derelict/vacant land in our cities, at a time when pressure on green field sites is intense, is a scandal. However, the public discussion is being conducted as a search for scapegoats — the local authorities, the housebuilders, or whoever.

## Combating Aids

From Mr Stephen Everson

Sir, Mr Macy, in his letter today (October 29) attempts to draw Dr Norman's arguments about Aids to a logical conclusion. The result, however, owes more to sophistry than it does to logic.

He wishes to remove any charge of divine responsibility for the disease whilst still claiming it to be a punishment for sinful behaviour, namely anal intercourse. This thesis is one of peculiar incoherence and, since it will no doubt prove attractive to some, requires quick refutation.

Mr Macy invokes the notion of unintentional punishment "visited upon humans by themselves". It is central to the idea of punishment that it be administered intentionally: simple bad consequences of actions are not punishments for those actions.

One cannot see Aids as a

Nobody seems to be interested in the fundamental issue, and until this is dealt with no amount of exhortation or administrative fiat will provide a permanent solution.

That land is idle on a long-term basis in major cities must mean that the market mechanism has broken down, that the asking price is too high. Several reasons conspire to produce this situation, of which two are probably crucial.

First, there is no financial penalty for holding derelict/vacant land. The reason for this lies buried in the history of rates, as a tax on the nominal income from beneficial use, ignoring the serious adverse externalities that are imposed on other land owners by dereliction.

Second, land use planning, by designating areas for particular uses, creates expectations concerning land value. Not unnaturally, owners (whether public or private) will hold derelict/vacant land in the hope of considerable gain.

Until these two issues are tackled, with the aim of driving land prices down in those parts of cities with large areas of derelict/vacant land, a satisfactory solution will elude us. Yours faithfully,  
PHILIP KIVELL,  
(University of Keele,  
Department of Geography),  
MICHAEL CHISHOLM,  
University of Cambridge,  
Department of Geography,  
Cambridge.

## EEC hostages

From Mr Claus Toksvig, MEP for Denmark (European Democrat (Conservative))

Sir, While rejoicing at the release of American hostages from the Lebanon (report, November 3) may I remind you that 13 European Community citizens are held by armed groups in that country. Two, Alex Collett and John McCarthy, are British. Collett has been held since March, 1985; McCarthy, a young television journalist, was taken last April. The European Parliament urged, in a resolution passed unanimously in early October, the Council of the EEC to take all appropriate action. Drafted by Lord Bethel, the resolution asked all governments with influence in the area to live up to their responsibilities in the protection of innocent lives.

The success of the work of Mr Terry Waite is a victory for humanity. Fellow Europeans deserve the same kind of dedication. Yours sincerely,  
CLAUS TOKSVIG (Vice-President, European Parliament),  
Sogaard, DK7182,  
Bredsten, Denmark.

punishment without understanding it to be a sign of divine wrath. This would, of course, be a possible position, but someone who held it would have to admit that such wrath has a significant lack of precision in expression. For, despite what Mr Macy says, it is not only anal intercourse which spreads the disease but vaginal intercourse as well.

It is surely far better to see the theological implications of Aids as precisely and only those of any other cause of widespread suffering and premature death. One can then get on with offering help to those who are affected by it. Any attempt to divide its victims into the "guilty" and the "innocent" is simply irrelevant to that central Christian enterprise.

Yours faithfully,  
STEPHEN EVERSON,  
St Hugh's College,  
Oxford,  
October 29.

## Hungary today

From Judith Listowel

Sir, Roger Boyes has painted a grim picture of Hungary (articles, October 20, 21). His statistical data were broadcast by Hungarian TV and caused distress to many Hungarians.

Yet, especially outside Budapest, Hungary is not all despair or apathy. I have been in Hungary 22 times since 1964, including last July and August this year. I speak fairly good Hungarian — after 10 days' practice I am taken for a local.

Mr Boyes did not say a word about the provinces, I mean the peasantry, who form 30 per cent of the population. They have never had it so good, although this year the drought did them much harm. The Kadar regime made a genuine success of the collective farms, and every man or woman who works in one now receives an acre of land as close to his or her cottage as possible. The collective helps with seeds, fodder and transport.

## Church alterations

From the Rev Gordon F. Read

Sir, While the regulations of the Catholic Church may not be as exacting as those of the Church of England, it is not correct to state (leading article, October 20) that there is nothing parallel to the facility system when alteration to church buildings is proposed.

Such alterations nearly always involve considerable expenditure. At parish level, the parochial finance committee must first be consulted for validity and, if the expense exceeds the diocesan level (usually £1,000-£5,000) permission must additionally be obtained from the diocesan finance board. The procedure is clearly stated in canon 1292-1295.

Nor is canon simply financial. My diocese, like most parishes

The remark of an elderly peasant was typical: "From your grandfather we stole a little; when we were driven into the collectivives we stole as much as we could; now we no longer steal, for we get what we need for pennies."

Mr Boyes did not mention that officially there is no unemployment — in fact, there is a good deal. Workers have to go to the factory and collect 60 per cent of their wages every Thursday. On other days they can come in and play cards or chess, or use factory equipment for black market work.

As Mr Boyes rightly pointed out, Hungary is neither a communist nor a capitalist country. Vacillation between the two makes things even more difficult than if she had complete communism or "socialist capitalism". This adds to the stress of the people, especially in Budapest, where Mr Boyes probably spent a good deal of his visit.

Yours sincerely,  
JUDITH LISTOWEL,  
9 Halsey Street, SW3,  
October 22.

that any plans of this sort must first be submitted to the art and architecture committee of the diocese for approval.

The code itself states that, in addition to these requirements, permission is required from the Holy See if it is a question of the alienation of something given to the Church by reason of a vow, or of objects which are precious by reason of their artistic or historical significance.

The same applies not only to disposal but also "in any dealings in which the patrimonial condition of the juridical person may be jeopardised".

Yours faithfully,  
GORDON F. READ,  
The Presbytery,  
Loudon Avenue,  
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October 20.

## ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 6 1942

El Alamein, one of the decisive battles of the Second World War, began on the night of October 23 when more than 1,000 British guns bombarded Rommel's entrenched position 80 miles west of Alexandria. After several days' confused and hard fighting, the enemy position was penetrated. The British public, after a week of cautious bulletins, awoke on the morning of November 6 to news of a great British victory.

## EIGHTH ARMY ADVANCING ON WHOLE FRONT

BROKEN AXIS FORCES HARASSSED ALONG COASTAL ROAD

The Eighth Army's advance has continued over the whole front, and in the north a screen of anti-tank guns and tanks is withdrawing before our troops.

The allied arm is hammering Rommel's broken forces in their retreat along the coastal road. In the central Mediterranean hills have been scored on an Axis merchant ship, tanker, and escorting destroyers.

Messages received yesterday from many parts of the world indicated that the Eighth Army's success has had a bracing effect on all the free nations, and warm tributes are paid to the troops and their leaders.

## "ENEMY ABOUT TO CRACK"

GEN. MONTGOMERY TO THE TROOPS

From Our Special Correspondent

CAIRO, Nov. 5

The official report issued last night announcing that the Axis forces were in full retreat and that 9,000 prisoners had been taken, including the Commander of the Afrika Korps, exhibits a degree of confidence on the part of Headquarters, MEF, in the ultimate issue which they have been unwilling to show hitherto, though they have actually felt it from the beginning of the offensive. British successes during the past 10 days have been deliberately under-emphasised in official bulletins and progress concealed. This discretion has been justified.

The completeness of the Axis defeat, which was flashed on the world last night came as a surprise even to the bulk of the Egyptian public, and achieved a corresponding moral effect. The spirit of confidence in which the battle has been fought by the British High Command appears from the order of the day, issued to the troops by General Montgomery yesterday. It runs:

"The present battle has now lasted 12 days, during which our troops fought so magnificently that the enemy is being worn down. The allied air forces are taking heavy toll of his columns moving westward on the main coastal road. The enemy is in our power and is just about to crack. I call upon all troops to keep up the pressure and not to relax for a moment. We have the chance of putting the whole Panzer army in the bag, and we shall do so. I congratulate all troops on what has been achieved. Complete victory is almost in sight. On your behalf I have sent messages to the allied air forces thanking them for their magnificent support."

## ROMMEL'S DILEMMA

From an Australian Correspondent

ALAMEIN FRONT, Nov. 4 (daybreak)

The Eighth Army is on top of the enemy right along the Alamein line this morning. It can only be a matter of time before Rommel is compelled to throw the bulk of his forces, throw the powerful rear guard he has left behind into destructive battle or retreat westward.

The salient now extends about 15,000 yards to the west, with its breadth 12,000 yards from the original enemy line. It was enlarged last night, when Highlanders and Indians attacked in darkness and gained new ground south of Aquila.

The Australians have now barred the escape of Germans and Italians whom they have penned up in the coastal pocket. They established posts across the corridor last night. And sent in patrols, who found Thompson's post deserted. Axis troops are still holding out in other strong points, but as an officer said this morning: "They cannot get away now unless they swim."

## SOUTH AFRICANS AND NEW ZEALANDERS

MR. CHURCHILL'S TRIBUTE

PRETORIA, Nov. 5. — Mr. Churchill, in a telegram to the acting South African Prime Minister, Mr. Hofmeyr, says:

"I send you my warm congratulations upon the fresh distinctions gained by the South African Division under General Plumer, in the new battle of Egypt. They played a glorious part in what may well become a decisive victory."

WELLINGTON, Nov. 5. — The Prime Minister of New Zealand, Mr. Peter Fraser, has received a message from Mr. Churchill conveying his warmest congratulations on the fresh distinction gained by the New Zealand division, under General Freyberg, VC, in the "memorable battle of Egypt."

Associated Press.

## Measure for measure

From Mrs Frank Cole

Sir, The half-hearted (literally) manner in which the British have adopted metrication can be exemplified perfectly by the described measure of a pair of knitting needles purchased recently — 3/4mm.

Yours faithfully,  
EILEEN COLE,  
16 Thornton Drive,  
Reckenhall, Kent.















Executive Editor  
Kenneth Fleet

## STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share  
1296.1 (+1.8)  
FT-SE 100  
1644.4 (+6.7)  
Bargains  
29950 (32686)  
USM (Datastream)  
127.33 (+0.32)

## THE POUND

US Dollar  
1.4230 (+0.0085)  
W German mark  
2.9378 (+0.0282)  
Trade-weighted  
69.1 (+0.5)

UK firms  
for Tokyo

Three British firms, one classified as British, are to receive securities licences to operate in Tokyo by the end of the year.

Clearance to go ahead with applications was given by the Ministry of Finance to Morgan Grenfell Japan, Montagu Securities, James Capel (Pacific) and Laurie Milbank (Jersey).

Morgan Grenfell is in the final stage of preparing its documentation, and expects to be operational, with branch status, in the spring. It will initially seek a seat on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

The Japanese financial authorities have chosen to see Laurie Milbank as British although it is 100 per cent owned by Chase Manhattan and no longer exists under its own name in London.

Classifying the bank as British circumvents regulations in Japan and the US which prohibit a bank from operating both a commercial and a securities branch.

## L&amp;M offer

London & Metropolitan, a property development group, is coming to the stock market through an offer for sale valued at the business at £38 million. A total of 23.6 million shares is being offered at 145p a share through Kleinwort Benson. *Temps, page 26*

## SE expulsions

The Stock Exchange has expelled four members, including Mr Alan Kemp, over "gross and improper conduct" in connection with Eurobond transactions handled by the broker firm Kemp Mitchell, suspended in July 1984.

## Quarto placing

The book company Quarto Group Inc is coming to the USM via a placing of 1.7 million shares by the brokers Capel-Cure Myers at 115p. The placing values the company at £3.28 million. *Temps, page 26*

## AC in talks

AC Holdings said in response to the increase in its share price that it is in preliminary negotiations about the merging of a small firm of stockbrokers with its subsidiary, John M Douglas and Eyrlyn Bros.

## CRA rights

CRA said in Melbourne yesterday that it will make a one for eight rights issue to shareholders at Aus\$5 per share to raise Aus\$309 million (£140 million).

## Brake success

The application list for shares in Brake Brothers was oversubscribed about 25 times. The basis of allocation will be announced today.

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New York	1898.76 (+6.32)
Dow Jones	16713.71 (-73.14)
Nikkei Dow	2203.71 (-62.11)
Hong Kong	278.1 (-1.5)
Amsterd. Amst Gov	1390.1 (+9.0)
Sydney: AD	1988.2 (-14.1)
Frankfurt	3921.82 (+7.41)
General	378.3 (-8.1)
Paris: CAC	546.50 (same)
Zurich	
SKA General	
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## INTEREST RATES

London:  
Bank Base: 11%  
3-month Interbank: 11-10%  
3-month eligible bills: 10 1/2-10 3/4%  
buying rate

Prime Rate 7 1/2%  
Federal Funds 6 1/4%  
3-month Treasury Bills 5.27-5.29%  
90-year bonds 95 1/2-97

## CURRENCIES

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London:	New York:
£ \$1.4230	\$ £1.4235
£ DM2.9378	DM £2.9378
£ Sfr2.4587	Sfr £2.4587
£ Yfr2.5782	Yfr £2.5782
£ Yen234.06	Yen £234.06
£ Index99.1	Index 99.1
ECU 89.743014	SDR 89.743014

Brierley returns  
with new £306m  
offer for Ocean

By CHU Feltman

Mr Ron Brierley, the New Zealand entrepreneur, yesterday launched a new offer, worth £306 million, for Ocean Transport and Trading, the shipping, transport and services company.

The new, final terms compare with the earlier offer of £258 million.

Mr Brierley, who has already built up a 9.8 per cent stake, said: "If this offer doesn't succeed, I can't imagine what shareholders are looking for. It is a very top price."

He is making the bid through IEP, the British arm of his £1.5 billion investment empire, and is raising the terms to 260p a share in cash, compared with the initial offer of 225p.

In the stock market, Ocean Transport shares rose up 13p to 255p, below the increased terms, enabling him to buy in the market, although there were no indications of any significant selling of the stock.

However, there was a swift response from the Ocean Transport camp, describing

the bid as still unacceptable.

Mr Kenneth Long, transport analyst at Kleinwort Greaveson, said: "The new offer is at the top end of the range, any lower and he might have had trouble picking it up. I think Ocean Transport will be lucky to survive."

Mr Brierley, who is keen to acquire Ocean Transport to integrate its transport operations with those of Tozer Kemsley & Milbourn, in which he has a controlling stake, said: "We arrived at the new price by putting our maximum value on the stock and not allowing for any contingencies."

"We want to win this bid, which is why I suppose we have been prepared to offer more than we think it actually justifies." He said he thought it unlikely a white knight would emerge with a higher offer. "I have never anticipated a rival bid and there has been no sign of any such offer."

Last night, Mr Stephen Lerner of SG Warburg, the financial adviser acting for

Ocean Transport, said the new offer was about the minimum level Mr Brierley was able to come back with.

"The offer completely fails to take into account the company's thriving transformation into a land-based services group and is attempting to deprive shareholders of a share in the future growth of the business."

Ocean Transport has already forecast that pretax profits for 1986 would rise by a sixth to £37 million and the total dividend paid will be 9p a share.

The company has been moving out of shipping and into activities such as waste management, freight forwarding, warehousing and transport.

Mr Brierley, who has built up an empire that spans breweries, car sales, insurance, oil, transport and wine, has turned his attentions to Britain, building up an investment portfolio during the last year with key stakes in Horizon Travel, Ultramar, and Redfern National Glass.

Angry exchanges  
in Heath battle

By John Bell, City Editor

The £180 million battle for control of CE Heath, the ailing insurance broker, developed into a slanging match yesterday over a £74 million "golden cufflinks" incentive deal for executives joining the Heath group and counter-allegations that the bidder for Heath, PWS Holdings, was attempting to sell its business to Heath only a few weeks ago.

The Heath board, which is fiercely opposed to the PWS offer, yesterday revealed the terms of its proposed acquisition of the smaller private broking firm, Fielding Insurance, headed by Mr Richard Fielding, a former managing director of Heath.

The terms value Fielding at about £71 million and effectively represent a reverse takeover of Heath, which has been seen in the City as badly in need of fresh management.

Mr Ronnie Ben-Zur, chairman of PWS, the fast-growing broking company, claimed later that, under the terms of option deals with the Fielding management, the overall cost of the acquisition could amount to £85 million.

"On Fielding's profit forecast of £6 million this represents a price earnings ratio of 22, a 50 per cent premium on the sector rating," said Mr Ben-Zur. "Heath needs management, but these terms suggest that they are desperate." Mr Derek Newman, chairman of Heath,

said: "This is a kind of golden cufflinks arrangement. We are buying a quality business with quality management and we want them to stay."

Payment for Fielding will be 12.33 million new Heath shares, representing 27.7 per cent of the Heath capital, and £4.33 million in cash.

Hambros, a major shareholder in Fielding, will end up with 16.3 per cent of the enlarged group after a placing of 3.25 million new Heath shares with investment clients of Hambros Bank.

Rejecting the hostile offer from PWS, Heath says that Mr Ben-Zur approached Heath in September with a view to selling PWS, an account which conflicts substantially with that of Mr Ben-Zur.

The Heath version is that it quickly became apparent to the Heath board that, far from representing a fit with Heath, PWS was lacking in experience in handling large US brokerage accounts and Mr Ben-Zur's approach was rejected.

Mr Ben-Zur says that the first approach came from Heath during a conference in Monte Carlo and that at two subsequent meetings the major part of the discussions centred around PWS acquiring Heath.

Heath's interim profits, released yesterday, show a fall of 30 per cent to £11.5 million.

## Names 'must pay up'

By Our City Staff

Those directly involved in the PCW affair would have to make "just and significant" contributions to its £235 million losses before the Lloyd's insurance market would help.

Mr Peter Miller, the Lloyd's chairman said yesterday, "Both these matters must be resolved before there can be any question of contribution by Lloyd's as a whole."

PCW names facing net losses of £235 million have agreed to small legal action to see if a settlement can be reached.

Mr Miller said that as a precondition for a settlement "there must be a just and

significant contribution from the names involved" and from other parties involved such as brokers and underwriters.

"Both these matters must be resolved before there can be any question of contribution by Lloyd's as a whole."

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Co-operative Bank first with  
move to credit card interest

By Our Banking Correspondent

The Co-operative Bank will become the first European financial institution to pay interest to its Visa card customers with credit balances.

The move is likely to intensify competition in the credit card market and the Co-operative Bank believes it will help transform the way people use their credit cards.

The bank will pay 10.03 per cent gross interest (7.5 per cent after tax) on all excess money kept in its Visa cardholders' accounts from the beginning of next month.

The move is aimed at competing with ordinary current accounts with a cheque facility on which interest is not usually paid. Before now there has been no incentive to keep credit card accounts in the black as no interest was paid.

The bank is one of the smallest credit card operators in Britain, with 160,000 out of an estimated total of 17 million credit card-holders.

It will raise the interest it charges on debit balances by 0.25 per cent to 2 per cent a month, equivalent to 26.8 per cent a year, from December 1 in line with other banks.

Mr Terry Thomas, executive director for direct financial services, described the new interest facility as a way of saving and managing money.

It was aimed at more sophisticated customers, comprising about 18 per cent of the adult population in Britain. These people, he said, were keen to earn interest on money they were not using and were aware of their monthly cash flow.

"Most of our card-holders come from the ABC1 social groups who will be most interested in the new interest facility."

Until they needed it, the money would be earning daily interest on their credit card accounts and there would be no charges.

Mr Thomas said this was the first step in transforming the way Britain's credit card-holders perceive and use plastic money. So far credit cards have been exclusively identified with credit but in future they would be the basis of a more sophisticated and flexible payments system.

Electronic funds transfer at point of sale, where a card is



Allen Lloyd, chairman of Lloyds Chemists: a witness to the first post-Big Bang placing.

New rules govern  
Lloyds' placing

By Carol Ferguson

In the first stock market placing since the Big Bang, Penrose Gordon, the stockbroker, is bringing Lloyds Chemists, a fast-growing chemist retailer to the market.

A total of 4.5 million shares, 27 per cent of the company, were placed with 100 institutions at a price of 105p. This values Mr Allen Lloyd's company, based in the Midlands, at £18.9 million.

In the post-Big Bang environment, new rules for market placings were used for the first time. Under the old system, 25 per cent of a new issue had to be offered to jobbers, for sale to the public, to ensure that there was stock available in the market when dealing started. Jobbers were allowed to keep a maximum of 10 per cent on their books to create an after-market.

The new rules require market-makers to apply for stock for their books. Only four applied to make markets in Lloyds Chemists, all former jobbing companies, and they received about 7.5 per cent of the shares on offer.

These companies were the market-making arms of County Securities, formerly Biagoed Bishop, BZW, formerly Wadd, Durlacher, Warburg Securities, formerly Ackroyd and Smithers and Smith New Court.

None of the new market-makers, formed in response to the Big Bang, applied to become market-makers in the shares.

One market-maker said his company did not apply because the market-making function was still settling down. If it had been a bigger issue he said he may have given it consideration. Because it was a small issue there was no over-riding commercial reason to go for it, he said.

In addition to offering stock to the market, the sponsoring broker must offer 25 per cent of the shares being placed to a second broker for distribution. In this case Greenwell Montagu will distribute the shares.

The sponsoring broker and the second broker may keep 2.5 per cent for their market-making books. Penrose Gordon does not make markets, but Greenwell has registered to become a market-maker for Lloyds Chemists.

Dealings in the shares are expected to start on November 12. *Temps, page 26*

## GPA in £1bn lease deal

An Irish leasing company, formed 10 years ago, yesterday placed a £2 billion (£1.4 billion) order for up to 100 new jets in a deal which could lead to a fundamental change in the way many airlines operate (see page 27).

Mr Tony Ryan, chairman and chief executive of GPA, said yesterday: "The future is in operating leases. Airlines' balance sheets just don't allow them to buy the new equipment they need."

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roles split at Grand Met

Grand Metropolitan, the hotels and drinks conglomerate, yesterday announced that the role of chairman and chief executive would be split.

Sir Stanley Grinstead, who has held both positions since the death of Sir Maxwell Joseph in 1982, continues as chairman while Mr Allen Sheppard takes over as chief executive. Mr Anthony Tennant becomes deputy group chief executive. *Comment, page 27*

Lawson calls  
for regional  
wage rates

By Colin Nantrogh

The Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, yesterday made a strong appeal for more regional differentiation on pay to help fire the British labour market and, eventually, lead to more jobs.

The appeal, made in a statement read by Mr Lawson at the end of a meeting of the National Economic Development Council, angered trade union representatives after what had been an otherwise "very constructive" session on the question of labour mobility and housing.

What particularly incensed the unions was the alleged manner in which Mr Lawson "abused" his chairmanship of the meeting to deliver last-minute views on pay, leaving no time for discussion.

Mr Rodney Bickenstaffe, general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees, called the Chancellor's move "outrageous."

Mr Lawson's appeal came after the speech by the Secretary of State for the Environment, Mr Nicholas Ridley, on Tuesday when he urged local authorities to opt out of national wage deals and to pay what they could afford.

Britain's internationally high unit labour costs are still regarded by the Government as the Achilles heel of the economy.

Mr Lawson, endorsing the widely-held view that greater mobility was essential for a properly functioning labour market, told NEDC that rehabilitating the private

rented sector of the housing market would play an important part.

"Greater regional differentiation of pay could also help," he said. Pay should vary to reflect different occupations and differences in firms' ability to recruit and keep staff - to help balance the supply and demand for different jobs."

But Mr Lawson said that there was little variation in pay for the same job in different parts of the country, even though there were wide gaps regionally between supply and demand for labour.

The trouble was that Britain had become used to national pay scales resulting from national pay bargaining, both on a company and industry-wide basis. And pay settlements tended to be guided by the prevailing conditions in the booming South-east corner of the country.

The Chancellor said he feared that London wage rates applied outside the South-east could be pricing people out of jobs.

Lord Young, Secretary of State for Employment, who spoke before the Chancellor, emphasized that labour immobility slowed economic growth. Increased mobility would make the economic engine turnover faster, he said.

Lord Young said that he was not looking for pay cuts in the provinces, but merely a shift towards more recognition in pay deals of what he called the "true market price" for skills.

Bond in Aus\$1.6bn  
debt refinancing

By Lawrence Lever

Bond Corporation, the Australian brewing, property and industrial group, yesterday announced an Aus\$1.6 billion (£777 million) multi-currency finance package which will restructure its entire borrowings on an unsecured, long-term basis.

The money is coming through Australian and international bank facilities, coupled with a long-term US debt issue being arranged by Drexel Burnham Lambert, the high-yielding corporate bond specialist.

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## PROPERTY

## Stanhope tipped for big launch success

By Judith Huntley

Mr Stuart Lipton's Stanhope Securities will make its stock market debut before Christmas. It is likely to be a highly successful flotation, with conservative estimates putting the market capitalization at more than £100 million.

It will, however, be a difficult company to value in that it is like Rosehaugh. Mr Lipton's development partner in some of the country's biggest schemes in built structures of the market, Rosehaugh, run by Mr Godfrey Bradman, who is regarded as a financial wizard, trades at a substantial premium to net asset value. The growth in its share price has been meteoric.

The strength of sentiment for the company may well apply to Stanhope Securities, operating as it does by carving out a new market in formerly unacceptable locations, catching demand at the right moment and creating value by so doing.

The strategy has paid off for him with Rosehaugh at the £500 million Broadgate scheme at Liverpool Street station in London, a joint venture with the British Rail Property Board.

Rosehaugh Stanhope is also content to develop the Spitalfields Market site on the eastern edge of the City close to Broadgate.

The Lipton and Bradman scheme, unveiled this week, conforms to the planning brief for the area, unlike that produced by the Spitalfields Development Group. There would be 750,000 sq ft of offices in the Rosehaugh Stanhope development, a figure which Mr Lipton says makes commercial sense.

Mr Lipton left Greycoat, where he was joint managing director with responsibility for development and construction, in 1983. For the next year or so he kept a low profile, spending much of his time in the United States, examining architectural and construction methods which he has applied here.

He then set up Stockley, the property company developing the 2.5 million sq ft Stockley Park business park near Heathrow airport. His partners in Stockley are Mr Bernard, of Morgan Grenfell Laurie, and Mr Jacob Rothschild.

It remains to be seen what arrangements Mr Lipton will make with Stockley once Stanhope comes to the market, and how much of Stanhope's profits are likely to accrue from that source.

## Fletcher King market debut may raise £4m

Fletcher King, the London firm of chartered surveyors, will make its stock market debut before the end of the month. The flotation date has yet to be announced. It is being handled by Cazenove, the broker, and Lazard Brothers, the merchant bank.

Cazenove was chosen because of its independence from any large financial conglomerate. Fletcher King's decision to offer only 30 to 40 per cent of its equity to the market reflects its own preference for independence.

The agent hopes to raise £3 million to £4 million from the flotation on a market capitalization of £10 million.

Eight Fletcher King directors will be made equity partners.

Mr David Fletcher will become chairman and chief executive of the public company and Mr Adrian White, the present current investment partner, will become becoming managing director.

Directors will be contracted to the company for between three and five years and employees will be offered shares in the company.

Fletcher King intends to use part of the money from the flotation to open an office in the City. It is now based in the West End.

Pre-tax profits for the six months to October 31 were £750,000. There will be a profits forecast at the time of the flotation.

The City is seeing a bull market in property terms but it is a highly competitive market for surveyors who are competing with each other, merchant banks and financial corporations.

## Thames Valley fears allayed

There is no serious oversupply of new industrial space in the Thames Valley, according to a survey published by Campbell Gordon, the Reading surveyors.

It finds that the supply of low office content buildings is 0.6 million sq ft, compared with the take-up figure of 2.2 million sq ft. Supply of high-tech buildings is three times demand but the growth in newly comes from a low base.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

## Traders show first signs of post-Big Bang fatigue

By Carol Leonard

The stock market showed signs of running out of steam yesterday as tired brokers dreamt of long weekends as the first account after Big Bang drew nearer its close.

They turned a blind eye to Wall Street's encouraging start, with the Dow Jones opening 6.6 points higher at 1899.04, and allowed the FT 30-share index to close up just 1.8 at 1296.1. The broader-based FT-SE 100 index fared slightly better. After opening 8.8 points lower it managed to close 6.7 points higher, at 1644.4.

Gilt was also in a lacklustre mood. They opened 3¢ better across the board but returned to overnight levels within minutes and refused to move again all day. Traders said they were waiting for the Chancellor's Autumn Statement.

Shares in London International group, the Durex manufacturer, have risen steadily as a result of the AIDS scare and could still have some way to go. Its shares at 249.5p yesterday were on a 17.5 p.p. The only comparable company is the American group Carter Wallace, whose rating is already at twice that level.

ment, expected later today.

British Telecom was the highest volume stock with 17 million shares going through the market. Its shares ended just a penny to 189p. After its third day of ADRs, after 13 million shares traded and firmed 2p to 206p, ICI slipped 5p to 1084p, Calsonic

Schweppes 4p to 189p and Grand Metropolitan 3p to 438p.

Fillingdale, Britain's biggest glass manufacturer, went up 14p to a new high at 550p on continued bid rumours. The talk late yesterday was that BTR would be making a bid at 650p a share before the weekend.

An announcement from Sir Phil Harris that his Harris Queensway retail outfit has increased its holding in GUS, where he already has a seat on the board, to more than 23 per cent, failed to impress the market. Harris Queensway slipped a penny to 214p and Gas ordinary shares were down a couple to 1488p. Sector watchers think Sir Phil may be planning to raise his holding to 29.9 per cent and that while a merger could be on the cards, it is likely to be years rather than weeks away.

Elsewhere in stores, Sears was again a high volume stock with 10 million shares changing hands. Its share price eased 1.5p to 136.5p. Shares have now climbed 34p in two days.

Miss Linda Tremaine, sector analyst at Savory Miln, the broker, thinks the shares are due for a re-rating. "The company has made a number of good acquisitions, bringing it more into the northern hemisphere and people in the City are now starting to recognize the fact that the company is changing," she says.

Reckitt & Coleman, the Detroit-to-mustard consumer group, intrigued dealers yesterday by jumping 23p to 804p.

Reckitt has now finalized its \$120 million acquisition of Durkee Famous Foods from Flanston Trust, and it has taken advantage in a change in Australian law which now allows overseas parents to own 100 per cent of their Australian subsidiaries. Last year Reckitt & Coleman Australia contributed 25 per cent of group profits.

Elsewhere in the healthcare sector Glaxo lost 16p to 929p — a two-day fall of 24p — on further worries that Merck's new anti-ulcer drug Pepcid might knock Glaxo's profits. Merck announced yesterday that it would be selling the drug in the US at the same price as Smith Kline & French's Tagamet ulcer drug, which is likely to undercut Glaxo's Zantac. American International rose 13p to 449p.

STC, the telecommunications combine, ended the day unchanged at 162p after active trade with a volume of 2.3 million shares. The stock is being recommended as a "buy" by Chase Securities, which had a meeting with the company on Tuesday.

Hopes are growing in the City that STC will be awarded the £200 million transatlantic sub-sea fibre-optic cable order from Cable & Wireless. STC is competing against the Japanese company Fujitsu for the contract. If it wins it will increase its chances of being awarded a second identical contract in two years time. Analysts estimate that it will

give a significant boost to profits for at least the next two years.

Oils were buoyant again, ahead of Shell's third-quarter results, but later today, and encouraged further by a rise in the oil price. Brent crude, for January delivery, gained more than 47 cents a barrel to \$14.87.

Shell climbed 28p to 953p, BP 23p to 709p, Barmah 12.5p to 359.5p, Lesmo 9p to 144p and Brolon 7p to 153p. Uranium firmed 3p to 164p on talk that its New Zealand stake holders had been buying again.

Kewtherm, the industrial automation stock, jumped 18p to 268p, as one or two leading brokers upgraded their profits forecast to about £12

million and declared the shares cheap. Duffin, the connector manufacturer, put on 12p to 150p after a broker's "buy" circular.

London & Continental Advertising gained 10p to 116p on the news that MAI has increased its stake from 15 per cent to 21 per cent.

## COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

## Lawson sweetens plans with soothing fudge

Autumn, or at least the autumn statement, has come upon us early this year. For the first time, a Chancellor is squeezing this, one of the two key events in the domestic economic calendar, ahead of Parliament's long weekend before the Queen's Speech.

That said, and notwithstanding its proximity to Guy Fawkes' night, today's statement is unlikely to contain fireworks. The Treasury has set its store, and its reputation, on sticking to pre-arranged public expenditure totals.

Any slippage, bearing in mind that the Government is all but adrift from its monetary targets and has yet to escape convincingly from another sterling crisis, would go down like the proverbial lead balloon. And so the planning total has to be £144 billion, despite suggestions that it will be substantially higher. Unless the Chancellor is determined to undermine the good fortune that has come his way in recent days on sterling and the avoidance of even higher base rates, he will know that he cannot wear his election rosette that obviously.

But the fiscal arithmetic, given an impending general election, is bound to be more than suspect. The City will be on the look-out for shades of 1982-83, when Sir Geoffrey Howe displayed a talent for creative accounting.

The Treasury began with a planning total of £143.9 billion for 1987-88 and a contingency reserve set at a fat £6.3

billion. This was always somewhat artificial, given that £3.2 billion of it was to disappear almost immediately to the local authorities.

The public spending round has been conducted in conditions of almost eerie silence, suggesting that no ministers have been upset enough to give vent to their feelings. There were, too, expensive-sounding spending promises at the Tory Conference. But as firmly put was Nigel Lawson's statement: "We will not engage in an irresponsible spending spree".

There will, therefore, be an inevitable element of fudge in the spending figures and the totals available today will tend to disguise this. The reserve is likely to be low, at little more than £2 billion. In addition, the Chief Secretary to the Treasury, John MacGregor, has put the ball into the department's court for seeking to offset expenditure savings and this may result in heroic assumptions about underspending and other devices.

The implication of the spending round is also likely to be rather higher increases in local authority rates and nationalized industry charges next year than is ideal for continued low inflation. The Treasury's reputation for inflation forecasting has been very good over the past years. Today's forecast, which will show little upturn in the rate next year, will again stretch credibility to the limits. Some City economists are looking for a doubling of the rate to 6 per cent by the end of next year.

## Grand Met changes gear

Grand Metropolitan, the drinks, hotels and food empire built by Maxwell Joseph, yesterday made the long-awaited change in direction, with its sights set on the 1990s. Widespread management changes include a new chief executive, splitting the roles of the chairman Sir Stanley Grinstead.

The man given the job of executing strategic policy changes is the leading candidate within the group — Allen Sheppard, aged 53 — who has been responsible for the Watney-Truman brewing operations, Mecca (the book-makers now hived off) and the restaurant activities. As chief executive he will oversee all Grand Met's activities. Day-to-day responsibility for drinks, brewing and retailing will fall to Anthony Tennant, aged 55.

Other changes leave Sir Stanley free to concentrate on strategy. The pressures on him have been considerable, and of late, mounting. Inevitably there have been rumours of bids as Alan Bond, among others, bought into the company. In truth, Sir Stanley, who is a private man, has not sat comfortably in the seats vacated by his extraordinary predecessor. He has been blamed by the company's critics

for a performance that has fallen short in several markets.

Since his arrival on the board in 1964 as joint managing director, he has, in fact, helped steer the company from sales of £5 million to £5.5 billion and a position of pre-eminence in a number of major consumer markets.

The re-focusing of Grand Metropolitan is now taking place. The European brewing operations have been sold; the group has finally withdrawn from tobacco with the sale of the Liggett business in the United States; and Mecca has been floated off, signalling an important restructuring.

These moves have been completed against a threatening background and the well expressed intentions of predators to cash in on what would be a highly desirable break-up exercise of the remaining businesses, some of which still struggle to achieve their full potential.

At 62, Sir Stanley still has a role to play in preparing the ground for the Grand Metropolitan of the next decade. The able and ambitious Allen Sheppard, who has been the chief critic with the board, will need all the help Sir Stanley and others can give him.

## ALPHA STOCKS

These prices are as at 6.45pm

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382 237	382 237	382 237	+9.8	3.4	30.1	382 237	382 237	+9.8	3.4
481 308	481 308	481 308	+4.9	18.4	37.2	481 308	481 308	+4.9	18.4
480 480	480 480	480 480	+5.1	8.8	7.9	480 480	480 480	+5.1	8.8
940 520	940 520	940 520	+7.1	21.7	25.9	940 520	940 520	+7.1	21.7
443 318	443 318	443 318	+27.1	3.8	18.3	443 318	443 318	+27.1	3.8
728 335	728 335	728 335	+18.0	40.0	4.8	728 335	728 335	+18.0	40.0
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654 701	654 701	654 701	+1.0	94.3	4.0	654 701	654 701	+1.0	94.3
220 128	220 128	220 128	+1.0	8.1	3.8	220 128	220 128	+1.0	8.1
114 785	114 785	114 785	+1.0	80.0	4.8	114 785	114 785	+1.0	80.0
420 328	420 328	420 328	+1.0	30.5	9.1	420 328	420 328	+1.0	30.5
117 781	117 781	117 781	+1.0	30.5	9.1	117 781	117 781	+1.0	30.5
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## RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES	Local Lon Op	Yorkshire TV (125p)	188
Anglo Secs (115p)	213 +6	132 -3	
Appleyard (125p)	158	149 -2	
BCE (30p)	39 1/2	178 +4	
Baker Harris Sndr (170p)	205 +3	92 -1	
Berry-Birch (115p)	122	80	
Barclays Bank (150p)	125	102	
Chrysalis (100p)	100	168	
Crested Labs (130p)	188 -3	102	
Ruro Home (160p)	148 -3	80 1/2	
Great Southern (105p)	188	102	
Guthrie Corp (150p)	188	102	
Harrison (150p)	157	102	
Hughes Food (20p)	28 1/2	102	
Interlink Express (185p)	205 -1	102	

## APPOINTMENTS

**VENT-AIR:** Mr Peter Barrett is made chairman. Mr Peter Barrett takes over as managing director from December 1.

**BellSouth International:** Mr Charles Coe becomes president.

**IMI Connell Group:** Mr Thomas Gillard is named finance director.

**Shandwick:** Mr. Anthony Stoddard will become an executive director from January 1.

**Aspen Corporation:** Mr Charles Stoddard is appointed president and chief executive officer. Mr Mark L. Sanders is made vice-president of marketing and new technology. Mr Donald Boggs takes over as vice-president and general manager of audio-video systems division. Mr Robert Wilson becomes vice-president and general manager of the magnetic tape division.

**Spearhead:** Mr Doug Pearce is appointed deputy managing director of marketing and business development functions. Mr Alan Skinner joins the board as sales director.

**British Syphon Industries:** Mr Tony Statham is made group finance director.

## LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

Series	Call	Put	Series	Call	Put
Allied Lyons (210)	330 25 35 45 10 18	330 25 35 45 10 18	British Telecom (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
BCE (30p)	39 1/2 17 20 25 30 35	39 1/2 17 20 25 30 35	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
BP (710)	650 125 145 165 185 205	650 125 145 165 185 205	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Com Gold (160p)	550 125 145 165 185 205	550 125 145 165 185 205	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Crested Labs (130p)	188 3 5 7 9 11	188 3 5 7 9 11	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Com Union (20p)	30 10 15 20 25 30	30 10 15 20 25 30	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Cable & Wire (310)	300 31 41 51 61 71	300 31 41 51 61 71	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
GEC (160p)	180 18 24 30 36 42	180 18 24 30 36 42	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Grand Mer (437)	350 50 60 70 80 90	350 50 60 70 80 90	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
ICI (100p)	950 102 112 122 132 142	950 102 112 122 132 142	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Land Sec (30p)	300 30 40 50 60 70	300 30 40 50 60 70	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Merita & Spier (195)	180 18 24 30 36 42	180 18 24 30 36 42	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50
Shell Trans (190p)	850 125 145 165 185 205	850 125 145 165 185 205	British Telecomm (191)	180 10 20 30 40 50	180 10 20 30 40 50

## Bilston Enamels set for USM

## COMPANY NEWS

Bilston & Battersea Enamels, which makes ornamental enamelled tableware, cigarette boxes and costume jewellery, is coming to the United States Market via a £250,000 10p share placing at 130p a share.

Singer & Friedlander, the merchant bank, is arranging the placing, which represents 29.7 per cent of B&B's issued share capital. The placing price gives the company a market capitalization of £5.48 million; 215,000 new shares are being offered for subscription.

B&B is raising £120,000 net of new capital under the issue. It intends to lease a factory close to its premises in Bilston, West Midlands, to boost production by about 30 per cent.

**CATER ALLEN GILT EDGED FUND:** Third interim dividend 35p, payable December 31.

**MICORP:** The company has announced a £200 million (£141 million) Euro commercial paper programme.

**HUNTING PETROLEUM SERVICES:** HPS has changed contracts with Associated British Industries for the acquisition of the retail division of Mermette Products. It has also been agreed in principle that a subsidiary of HPS will acquire the business and assets of L'hermetique, a French subsidiary of Mermette, which distributes the Mermette range of products in France. The consideration is £2.85 million to be satisfied by the issue of 2,399,400 ordinary HPS shares, to be placed on behalf of the vendor. Consideration for the business and assets of L'hermetique will be determined at completion of the acquisition and will amount to £50,000.

**HAWKER SIDDELEY CANADA:** Results for the nine months to September 30 in 1986. Quarterly dividend £0.024 or 12p, payable January 9. Sales 305,619 (£27,279). Cost of sales, selling, general and administrative expenses 259,951 (£23,851). Depreciation 11,593 (£10,696). Operating income 24,275 (£22,732). Interest before tax and minority interest 24,004 (£21,570). Income tax charges 5,665 (£5,713). Defended 565 (£795). Minority interest 1,960 (£1,932). Earnings per share £0.138 (£0.137).

**NEWMARKET CO:** Results for the nine months to September 30 in 1986. Interest on deposits 291 or £206 (£323). Investment income 388 (£308). Management expenses 204 (£252). Investment management fees 689 (£434). Sterling equivalent value per share £1.64 (£1.71).

**THE THERMAL SCIENTIFIC:** The company has exchanged conditional contracts to purchase the stock of Oumidorm Corp of Chicago, for an initial payment of \$1 million (£700,000). Founded in 1977, Oumidorm supplies thermal analysis equipment to the US. Purchase consideration comprises an initial payment of \$1,000,000 of \$800,000 cash and \$200,000 in 15 ordinary shares at 250p a share. These shares do not carry the ordinary dividend. Oumidorm's unaudited sales and pretax profits in the year to March 31 were \$1,112,000 and \$66,000 respectively.

**CRAMPHORN:** Results for the year to July 5. Final dividend 4.5p (3.5p) making 6.17p (5.17p). Turnover 15,072,920 (£13,536,815). Profit before interest 673,181 (£407,713). Interest 123,103 (£108,812). Pretax profit 550,078 (£431,901). Tax on profit 222,688 (£195,004). Earnings per share 22.63p (£16.39p). Sales in present year to date are up by some 7 per cent.

## BIG BANG:

Share in the profits. Avoid the pitfalls.

The City is one of Britain's success stories. Now, a new spirit of competition has emerged following Big Bang, which allows foreign institutions to compete in Britain's financial markets for the first time. This we believe will expand the whole market for financial services in the UK. Already, banks, property developers, computer firms and other financial service companies are enjoying a significant increase in the demand for their services.

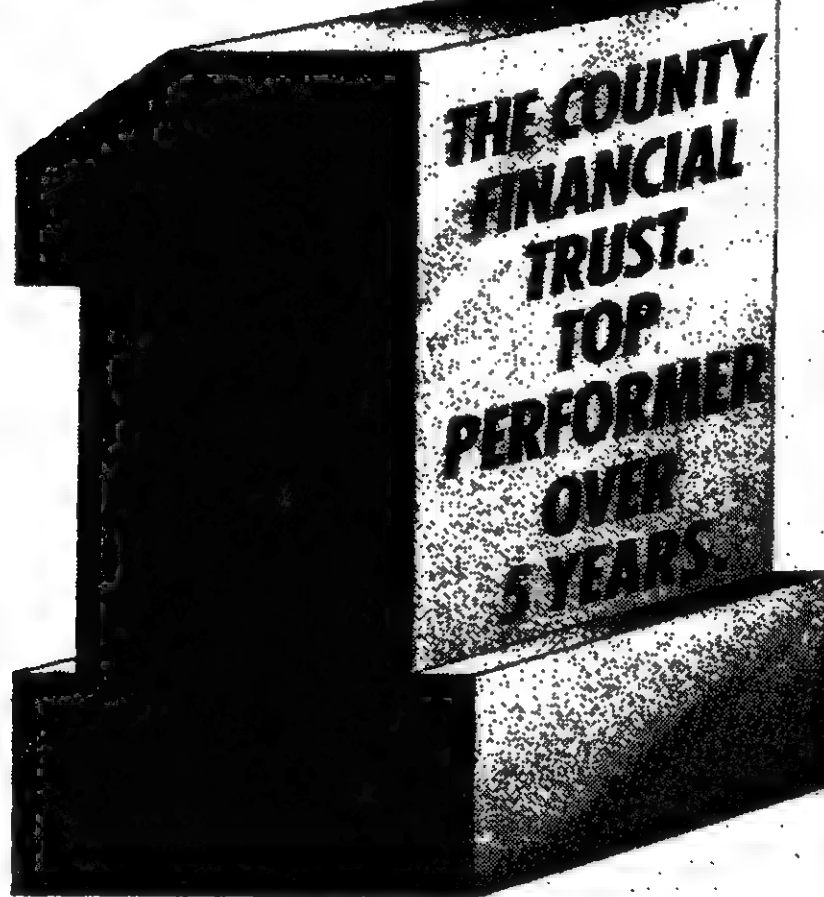
## A RECORD TO RELY ON

No-one is better placed than County to select the winners in the new environment. We are part of the NatWest Investment Bank; one of the most powerful new financial organisations to be formed under the new rules. Our fund manager therefore has an ideal position from which to evaluate the changes affecting the whole range of companies in the financial sector.

The County Financial Trust already has an impressive record of success. £10,000 invested five years ago would now be worth £34,750\*. And we believe that there are now exciting new investment opportunities.

The trust aims to achieve long term capital growth by investing in an international spread of financial shares.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**  
Contract notes will be issued within 7 days; certificates within 42 days. The prices and yield are published daily in leading national newspapers. You can sell units back to the Managers on any business day at the Bid Price ruling on receipt of your instructions. An initial charge of 5% is included in the Offer Price of units. Remuneration is paid to qualified intermediaries - rates available on request. The annual charge is 1/4% per annum (+VAT) of the Trust value which is deducted from the Trust's gross income. The income distribution will be made on 5th March and 5th September to unitholders registered by the 5th January and 5th July 1987 respectively. Trustees: Royal Exchange Assurance. Managers: County Unit Trust Managers Ltd. Registered Office: Gresham House, 31 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7DX. Registered Number: 907310. Member of the Unit Trust Association



\*All prices calculated on an offer to bid price basis to 4.11.86 with income reinvested. Source: IDC/OPAL

Remember that the price of units and the income from them can go down as well as up. But as Big Bang is likely to have quite an effect on the financial sector, we advise you to invest now in a portfolio of companies that will benefit over time from the many opportunities that are now appearing.

## HOW TO INVEST

Either phone the direct dealing line on any business day to purchase units at the prevailing price.

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or complete the coupon and send it to us with your cheque.

The purchase price on 4.11.86 was 177.8p per unit and the estimated gross yield was 2.3%.

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Or debit my ACCESS account Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

Surname(s): Mr/Mrs/Miss \_\_\_\_\_

First names: (in full) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: (in full) \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_ I am/We are over 18.

Please tick here for automatic reinvestment of income ☐

Please tick here for details of the County Share Exchange Scheme ☐ UNITSAVE ☐

**The NatWest Investment Bank Group**

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## FOREIGN EXCHANGES

## STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates	Market rates	1 month	3 months
New York 1.2225-1.2245	New York 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
London 1.2225-1.2245	London 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Frankfurt 1.2225-1.2245	Frankfurt 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Paris 1.2225-1.2245	Paris 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Switzerland 1.2225-1.2245	Switzerland 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Italy 1.2225-1.2245	Italy 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Spain 1.2225-1.2245	Spain 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Japan 1.2225-1.2245	Japan 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Australia 1.2225-1.2245	Australia 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
South Africa 1.2225-1.2245	South Africa 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
India 1.2225-1.2245	India 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Indonesia 1.2225-1.2245	Indonesia 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Malaysia 1.2225-1.2245	Malaysia 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Philippines 1.2225-1.2245	Philippines 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Singapore 1.2225-1.2245	Singapore 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Thailand 1.2225-1.2245	Thailand 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Taiwan 1.2225-1.2245	Taiwan 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
South Korea 1.2225-1.2245	South Korea 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
China 1.2225-1.2245	China 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
India 1.2225-1.2245	India 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Indonesia 1.2225-1.2245	Indonesia 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Malaysia 1.2225-1.2245	Malaysia 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Philippines 1.2225-1.2245	Philippines 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
Singapore 1.2225-1.2245	Singapore 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
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Taiwan 1.2225-1.2245	Taiwan 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
South Korea 1.2225-1.2245	South Korea 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245
China 1.2225-1.2245	China 1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245	1.2225-1.2245

## OTHER STERLING RATES

Other Sterling Rates	Dollar Spot Rates
Argentina 1.2225-1.2245	Argentina 1.2225-1.2245
Australia 1.2225-1.2245	Australia 1.2225-1.2245
Canada 1.2225-1.2245	Canada 1.2225-1.2245
France 1.2225-1.2245	France 1.2225-1.2245
Germany 1.2225-1.2245	Germany 1.2225-1.2245
Italy 1.2225-1.2245	Italy 1.2225-1.2245
Japan 1.2225-1.2245	Japan 1.2225-1.2245
South Africa 1.2225-1.2245	South Africa 1.2225-1.2245
India 1.2225-1.2245	India 1.2225-1.2245
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Singapore 1.2225-1.2245	Singapore 1.2225-1.2245
Thailand 1.2225-1.2245	Thailand 1.2225-1.2245
Taiwan 1.2225-1.2245	Taiwan 1.2225-1.2245
South Korea 1.2225-1.2245	South Korea 1.2225-1.2245
China 1.2225-1.2245	China 1.2225-1.2245

## LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Three Month Sterling	Open	High	Low	Close	Set Vol
Dec 86	80.35	80.35	80.35	80.34	10
Mar 87	80.31	80.34	80.30	80.31	170
Jun 87	80.28	80.28	80.28	80.28	80
Sep 87	80.45	80.45	80.45	80.45	10
Dec 87	80.35	80.35	80.35	80.27	14
Mar 88	N/T	---	---	80.00	0
Previous day's total open interest 15855					
Three Month Eurodollar	Open	High	Low	Close	Set Vol
Dec 86	94.28	94.11	94.06	94.06	5422
Mar 87	94.17	94.06	94.07	94.07	1780
Jun 87	93.89	93.95	93.86	93.82	294
Sep 87	93.81	93.86	93.80	93.81	106
Previous day's total open interest 14540					
3% Treasury Bond	Open	High	Low	Close	Set Vol
Dec 86	98-01	98-21	98-10	98-14	4134
Mar 87	97-12	97-12	97-12	97-14	0
Jun 87	97-12	97-12	97-12	97-10	0
Previous day's total open interest 65					
Short Call	Open	High	Low	Close	Set Vol
Dec 86	96-35	96-38	96-32	96-25	231
Mar 87	N/T	---	---	96-27	0
Jun 87	N/T	---	---	---	0
Previous day's total open interest 18200					
Long Call	Open	High	Low	Close	Set Vol
Dec 86	111-16	111-16	111-16	111-05	11055
Mar 87	111-16	111-16	111-16	111-13	4
Jun 87	N/T	---	---	111-10	0
Sep 87	N/T	---	---	---	0
Previous day's total open interest 2700					
FT-95E 100	Open	High	Low	Close	Set Vol



# Shares hold small gains

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began on October 27. Dealings end tomorrow. \$Contango day next Monday. Settlement day November 17.  
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No.	Company	Group	Gain or Loss
1	Delta	Industrials A-D	
2	Farnish JT	Industrials L-R	
3	Heudron	Building/Roads	
4	Glass Glover	Food	
5	Allied Colloids	Chemicals/Plas	
6	Comcap	Electronics	
7	Molins	Industrials L-R	
8	Booker	Food	
9	APV	Industrials A-D	
10	AMU	Industrials A-D	
11	Halls Bros	Industrials E-K	
12	Nabli Precision	Industrials E-K	
13	Scott TV	Consumer TV	
14	Macro Focus	Electronics	
15	Robertson Res	Industrials L-R	
16	Menzies	Electronics	
17	Bredon/Clood Hill	Building/Roads	
18	Macarthy	Industrials L-R	
19	Appledore	Industrials A-D	
20	Security Serv	Industrials S-Z	
21	Br Vira	Electronics	
22	Arlec	Industrials S-Z	
23	Six Hundred	Industrials E-K	
24	Eastern Prod	Industrials E-K	
25	Macro 4	Electronics	
26	CAP Co	Electronics	
27	Maring	Industrials L-R	
28	Lloyds	Bank/Discount	
29	Charter Cons	Industrials A-D	
30	Atlantic Comp	Electronics	
31	Morgan Crucible	Industrials L-R	
32	Low (Wm)	Food	
33	Macro BS	Electronics	
34	Alexon	Drugs/Stores	
35	BBA	Industrials A-D	
36	Hazlewoods Foods	Food	
37	Wigall (Henry)	Electronics	
38	Morland	Industrials E-K	
39	Eddi	Bank/Discount	
40	Oleand Nat	Industrials L-R	
41	Roper	Electronics	
42	Prose	Electronics	
43	Uni Scientific	Electronics	
44	Beecham	Industrials A-D	

Please be sure to take account of any minus signs

### Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £16,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN

### BRITISH FUNDS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### SHORTS (Under Five Years)

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### UNDATED

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### INDEX-LINKED

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### BANKS DISCOUNT HP

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### BREWERIES

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### FINANCE AND LAND

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### FOODS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### CINEMAS AND TV

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### DRAPERY AND STORES

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### INDUSTRIALS A-D

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### ELECTRICALS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### INSURANCE

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### E-K

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### LEISURE

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### MINING

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### L-R

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### HOTELS AND CATERERS

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### INDUSTRIALS S-Z

1986	Low	High	Open	Close

### NEWSPAPERS AND PUBLISHERS

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## PRINTING TECHNOLOGY

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## A SPECIAL REPORT

# Spreading the word ever faster

The Adgraphics conference in Gleneagles is reviewing the revolutionary techniques now available in printing and advertising



Until recently, it used to be said that if Johann Gutenberg, the father of European printing, could be transported from the 15th century to a contemporary press plant, he would, after a good orientation, probably feel moderately at home.

Today, he would feel utterly alien because printing is at the very heart of the information revolution, as he would learn at Pira, the national technical centre for paper and board, printing and packaging. The centre is about to link itself by computer terminals to what will eventually be the world's biggest database of its kind.

This will occur when it turns its library into a computer-linked information centre. Books will still be seen on shelves, but no longer in a prominent position. This may seem odd for an industry of which printer's ink has been the metaphorical lifeblood, but it is a physical expression of the wide-ranging views of Pira's managing director, Brian Blunden.

Though trained as a printer, he sees printing as evolving into a new kind of knowledge industry based on the concept of "tradable information".

He explains: "The demand for information is growing enormously. Take wider share ownership. That will generate a need for literature to be sent out to shareholders on a scale that was undreamt of 10 years ago. Even the entertainment

business generates a huge appetite for information-based material from manuals to magazines."

He also points out that the spread of literacy among an ever-growing world population has an effect purely in terms of numbers.

Although he believes that print and paper—made vastly more efficient and cost-effective by the use of new technology—will continue to be vitally important as a means of conveying information, he is also convinced that printers must become involved in the alternative media created by electronics and automation.

## This huge and irreversible process of change

It is highly likely, for instance, that financial intelligence will be brought to shareholders through a home computer accessing a VDU rather than through a bulky document delivered by the postman. Printers will have to find a way of playing a part in this process.

"Our industry is in the middle of a huge and irreversible process of change," says Mr Blunden. "Like the Industrial Revolution, those who don't absorb it will be swept aside by it. It will inevitably make some skills redundant, but there is nothing new in that process in terms of the historical development of man and industry."

William Morris has a lot to

answer for. He gave intellectual respectability to the notion that job satisfaction can be achieved only by the laborious manual intervention of the craftsman.

Mr Blunden sees promoting pride and interest in innovation as an important part of Pira's job.

To a large extent this process is one of making members more aware of new techniques and materials and of their practical application. Pira runs a big programme of seminars and is also a considerable information-providing publisher in its own right.

Though the Japanese and the Germans are generally thought of as being in the forefront of creating interactive systems quite a number are coming from this country. Quantel, for instance, has become a household name in the industry for its application of colour to computer-aided design (CAD), and the Electronic Colour Scanner developed by Crosfield, a subsidiary of De La Rue, is another of many UK systems which are regarded as setting a technological standard.

One effect of the growth in the market has been a reduction in the costs of much of the hardware and software. There are some who see the result of this—the growth in "desktop publishing"—as an unwelcome source of rivalry, but Mr Blunden does not share that view.

He agrees, however, that it does pose questions about the future role of printers and that close attention will have to be



Paper chase: a reel of newsprint is transported automatically to the press room at News International's Wapping plant and, inset, the old way: flat-bed machines that became obsolete in the 1950s

information, have been quick of all to see the potential of this emerging market.

But although thinking about strategies for the future is an important part of Pira's job, a significant aspect of that is simply answering members' queries on the phone. Every one of Pira's divisions—paper and board, printing and information technology, and packaging—has its own expert staff.

Consultancy on specific issues is another important and growing activity, either for individual companies or for groups of users. "That in itself may be a new dimension of

"narrow cast" publishing," Mr Blunden points out. "It's essentially a matter of producing information for small

## Belonging to Pira is not too expensive

groups of users who are willing to band together to pay an appropriate price for it."

This runs side by side with a continuous programme of research and development, of the assessment of new equipment and processes and of assembling new standards for

a global industry with a potentially bewildering variety of hardware and software. As typical examples, Mr Blunden cites the work Pira is doing on computerized colour matching and on the development of Standard Generalized Markup Language, which will provide a uniform command structure for all documents.

Considering the range of services Pira offers, it is remarkable that belonging to it is relatively inexpensive. The 1,000-strong membership therefore includes some quite small businesses as well as the industry's giants. For instance, several of the high

street print franchises are members.

Pira maintains close links with the international scene and is the headquarters of the International Electronic Publishing Research Centre, but it exists primarily to serve the UK market and its customers. But as the boundaries of information have burst out of national borders, it must only be a matter of time before Pira's scope becomes more overtly global. That, after all, was the experience of Gutenberg, back in the 15th century.

Godfrey Golzen

## Designs off the top of a desk

Away from the newspaper industry there have been major technological developments. Much of this is based around the acceptance of desktop computers, which are mainly IBM PCs or Apple

Macintoshes, used in many environments to bring powerful computing resources to bear at an acceptable cost.

This is apparent in text composition within the conventional trade typesetting or

magazine operations. The major development is "desktop publishing", the use of such computers usually allied to a small near typographic quality laser printer, used for internal company publications.

It is now perfectly feasible for an advertisement, particularly in monochrome, to be taken most of the way from conception through to production within an agency.

The technology is available to produce client presentations economically and, with the exception of high-quality illustrations and the range of esoteric typefaces, to take these through to the make-up for final output.

During the past five years there has been a revolution in the way the preparation of colour masters for printing has been carried out.

It is now possible to produce effects in minutes that previously would have taken days. Such techniques, however, are totally uneconomic in the hands of a creative person as constant throughput is the only way to make money.

One is now seeing the possibility of linking low-cost desktop computers into such devices to create layouts and to transfer visuals to the production process.

Some agencies are now having colour TV monitors linked by telephone lines to their production companies to permit them to approve work being carried out on the colour systems, enabling decisions to be made rapidly.

In terms of colour we are also seeing the potential for the use of video data in printing production. This will permit images to be taken directly from TV signals or high-resolution videotape.

The potential here was for the desktop systems to be used within the agencies transferring data to the printer, typographer or newspaper to produce the finished artwork.

Electronics are taking a stronger role in enabling printing presses to be run at much higher speeds and enabling the set-up or make-ready time to be reduced substantially. Laser printing is a technology likely to pose a challenge to the presses in the future.

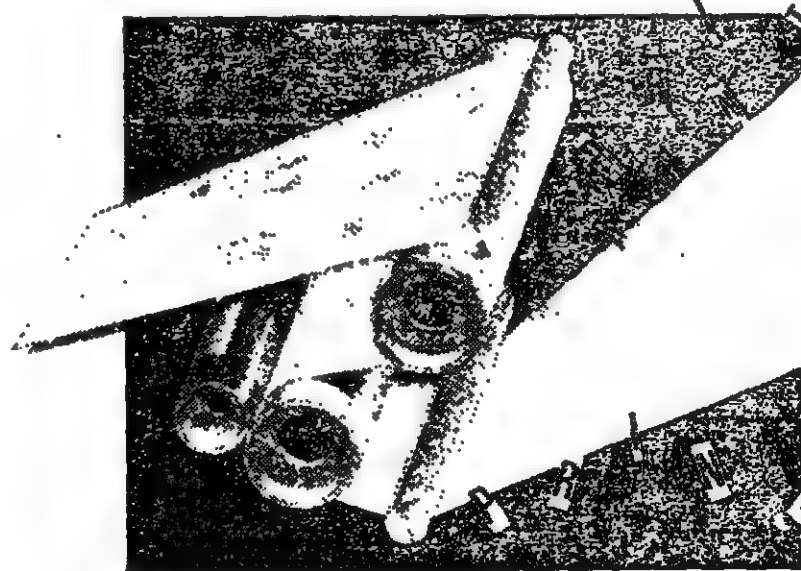
We are already seeing the potential of high-speed laser printers that can print near typographic quality output on both sides of A4 sheets at speeds of around two pages a second, widely used in areas such as mail shots.

But it is also used for short-run or on-demand documentation, particularly in the electronics and aerospace industries and a recent operation has started to produce short-run paperback books.

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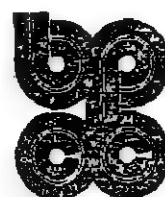
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he common misconception of the printing sector as a "backward-looking, craft-based industry, bedevilled by labour relations problems" is understandable considering the agonized metamorphosis affecting national newspapers and the immediacy of its extensive media coverage.

In reality, the newspapers occupy a unique position: the workforce is but 10 per cent of the industry's total. The remainder constitutes a sector which is in the top 10 UK manufacturing industries in terms of output, with a workforce approaching 200,000 people, and a contribution of about £5 billion to the national economy.

There can be no doubt that the biggest single impact on the so-called "general" printing industry — defined as all printed matter except newspapers — has been that of new technology. Both the pace and magnitude of change have been unprecedented during the past 10 or 15 years and show no sign of slackening.

In this respect, printing is in the same league as computing and electronic engineering. It is precisely these hi-tech industries which have generated the change, particularly in the pre-press area.

The threat of change, which many UK printers have turned into opportunity, has not been easy to cope with. This, combined with the pressures of increasingly intense competition in international markets, has concentrated minds on ways of reducing unit costs, improving productivity and increasing efficiency.

And, although there have been some difficulties in the transition from the old to the new — from hot metal to computer-assisted typesetting and from letterpress to litho printing, to give but two examples — the

changes have come about with a remarkable degree of co-operation from the printing trade unions, the NGA and Sogat '82.

Of course, there can be no substitute for standards of excellence if the UK printing industry is to expand into new markets in the 1990s and regain those lost to our most successful competitors in West Germany, Japan and the United States.

The British Printing Industries Federation, the trade association which represents two-thirds of all companies in the general printing sector (nearly 3,000 companies), has a vital role to play in the future economic success of our industry.

Through its Industry Training Organization, which succeeded the statutory Industrial Training Boards in 1982, the BPIF has played a leading part in initiating new schemes of skills training and manage-

improving the professionalization of management.

Many companies, both large and small, have embarked on far-reaching programmes of management and supervisory development, linking with colleges of printing education, polytechnics, independent management training centres and the printing industry's research establishment (Pira).

About 2,000 managers have benefited from the BPIF's own extensive courses programme, including many young managers from the YMP organization, which the federation sponsors. They have taken to heart the message embodied in the recent White Paper, *Education and Training — Working Together*, that "the same machines and equipment are available to all."

Success will go to those firms whose people can use them to the best advantage.

of success. All made the grade, but nobody checked, and much time and effort were wasted.

The new skills training arrangements, achieved through free collective bargaining between the BPIF, NGA and Sogat, and regulated by Joint Training Councils established in 1983 and 1985 respectively, have revolutionized the system.

Recognized by government and the Manpower Services Commission as the best of their kind, the national printing industry training agreements mean that certain standards have to be achieved. Every trainee, school-leaver or adult, has a log-book recording progress. Young school-leavers have to attend a printing education college on a day or block-release basis. Training is completed when the national standards of competence have been achieved for any given occupation. And adults have the opportunity to retrain throughout their working life as jobs and technology change.

From this year, these arrangements are being supported by £2 million of MSC funding under the Youth Training Scheme.

The new system, directly in line with government and MSC training policy, was one of the first of its kind in UK industry. It has since proved to be the envy of our overseas competitors, and gratifying indeed to know that in this area the UK printing industry has a distinct competitive edge.

But competitiveness, by definition, means that we have to work hard to stay ahead of the field. There is still much to be done to consolidate existing gains and make further progress.

The federation's campaign to attract the £5 million needed to bring printing colleges up to date with the new technology and establish centres of excellence will continue.

**Tony Keeble**

Director of education and training, BPIF

## How the other Big Bang rocked the print world



hen Rupert Murdoch moved News International to Wapping, east London, and *Today* was launched, they highlighted the revolution taking place in newspaper production.

The technology has been available for some time but only in the past three years have techniques really changed in the UK. The next decade will show refinements rather than radical departures.

Before he launched *Today*, Eddy Shah promised not only to change the face of British journalism but to revolutionize print advertising.

In the euphoria of the pre-launch days, the agencies and their clients were led to believe that everything was possible — short lead times and total instant colour with the quality of *Vogue*, but at rock-bottom prices.

It did not happen, but Mr Shah started the ball rolling. He made agencies and advertisers alike aware of the changes there could be. He raised expectations and during the next few years they will become reality.

There were technological problems on *Today* and one of the greatest disappointments was the quality of the colour production. This might have been avoided had agencies known more about the technical realities.

"Part of the problem," said Cliff Bailey, director of creative services for Saatchi & Saatchi,

### New processes give better quality

Saatchi Compton Ltd, and chairman of Adgraphics 86 organizing committee, "is that agencies expected to take ads off the shelf. They expected to use an advertisement designed for a colour magazine in a daily newspaper."

"We have reached the maximum potential more or less in colour standard reproduction. It is good quality but you have to accept the limitations of colour on newsprint."

Mr Bailey sees little likelihood that technology will improve colour reproduction. Improvement will be made only by the designer paying more attention to the paper and its absorption and reflective qualities.

The creative directors will have to develop different uses of colour in advertisements for different kinds of newspapers and magazines. It will reflect the availability of increased access to segmented markets.

The new processes will also provide better quality black and white during the next few years.

Another advantage of the new technology which will allow speedier, less costly

reproduction will be the ability to store the master copy of artwork on disc. This can then be used to transmit duplicates out to various printers.

At present original copy has to be sent out to every destination. There will be new developments within the advertising agencies themselves. They will increasingly use internal computer systems that will permit the design and transmission of advertisements to the page without the need to translate them first on to paper.

Saatchi & Saatchi Compton creates advertisements for Silk Cut in London, which are then spun out worldwide — giving the agencies more control over companies and avoiding quirky local interpretations of

the *Daily Mail* have required three weeks' notice before the production of a full colour advertisement. *Today* can take copy on a Monday and deliver the goods on Wednesday.

Rodney Harris welcomes the development but remains a little sceptical about the importance of "instant" colour to advertisers.

Nevertheless, colour will be increasingly available and it will be cheaper. *Today* now prints 16 out of 48 pages in colour. At £7,000 for a full colour page in a premium position, despite its lower circulation, in proportion to the circulation of its rivals, it is far cheaper.

Even though commercial television has taken so much

fragmentation of the media, going in for increased brand segmentation."

The new technology allows for short print runs and the facility to produce different advertisements selected for every smaller target audience.

The past two years have seen an increased willingness by publishers to try out new ideas. "The publishers are enthusiastic. They are salesmen. By contrast, the TV people are order takers," said Mr Harris.

Many of the new ideas that publishers are keen to promote are to a large extent gimmicky. Although they are not important in totality, they are useful in attracting the reader's attention. There will be a growth in stick-on inserts, such as the invitation to fly Concorde created by Saatchi & Saatchi Compton for British Airways.

The technique is not new, but today it can be done cheaply, efficiently and on time.

"The biggest step forward," said Mr Harris, "is to do with people. We will need and will have to see far closer liaison between media buyers, the production people in the agencies, the media salespeople and the printers."

The need for and likelihood of this closer liaison is reiterated by Mr Bailey. "We can push the technology as far as you want — the technology is there, but the creative directors must push the operators," he said.

"The agencies' creative teams must learn what the new technologies can do and work with the process. According to David

### Craftsmen still do the fine tuning

Bottomley, that goes for the clients too. "We need to be fully aware of the potential in print and need more feedback," he said.

Training in the developments of technology has already started in the art schools and the new generation of creative and agency staff should be able to make the most of what the new processes have to offer. But there is also a need for better training for the operators of the new electronic wizardry.

Once the developments in electronics have taken place, it is the craftsmen who still do the fine tuning. Machine perception is not as good as the human eye. Machines cannot anticipate what the art director wants, but the operator can.

The next decade is unlikely to bring radical changes, but the new technology should offer the advertising agencies the opportunity of bringing livelier, more colourful, more topical and more specialist advertising, more cheaply to the consumer.

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There is an industry suffering by association with another as much as the commercial printing industry has, simply by its use of the same basic technology as Fleet Street.

Printing has become largely synonymous with newspapers because of their impact and immediacy, yet the commercial side is vast by comparison, and highly diverse in its products.

It also makes machinery-purchasing decisions based on commercial and marketing factors, rather than on considerations affected by politics and industrial relations.

When such equipment is seen to be successful and effective, others follow. Generally the unions are constructive in their approach to such changes, and the British commercial printing industry certainly does not lag behind other countries in its adoption of new technology.

This is no recent phenomenon: when in 1970 the major European trade magazines undertook a survey of photo-composing machines - the latest technology of the time - there were almost twice as many in the UK as in any other European country.

The commercial printing industry encompasses the production of books, magazines, business forms, labels, posters, cartons, tin cans, flexible packaging, stationery, advertising literature and a variety of miscellaneous products for industry, commerce and personal use. In recent years, the equipment to produce these different products has become highly specialized. Printing presses for producing books are nothing like those for printing roll labels or those for business forms.

Whatever the printing process used or item of print produced, however, the technical changes have been immense. The desktop publishing systems now being advertised for general commercial use are cheap versions of the more complex and specialized products which have been used by the printing industry for some time.

Often these incorporate sophisticated software, whether this be for the production of complicated mathematical or chemical formulae, books with many foot-and-side-notes with a multitude of cross references and indexing, or a parts manual with exploded diagrams and photographs. All such jobs can now be created electronically from information already held in computers or sent down a telephone wire or by satellite, and by digital scanning of illustrations.

Typesetters are no longer created in metal, or even by shining light through a negative of the character required and capturing the image on photographic film or paper.

The typesetter of today is digital - that

is, the information about the shape of a letter is held as a series of electronic signals in a computer. The output may be in the form of a low-resolution (300 dots per inch) laser printer commonly seen in today's office, or a high-resolution (2,000 dots per inch upwards) photosetter producing complete pages of text with illustrations.

The low-resolution version may of course be employed by a printer or typesetter for proofing purposes, and sent to the customer by the increasingly used facsimile transmitter.

Similarly, complete colour pages can be created on a television screen which accurately portrays the illustrations as they will be printed. Colour transparencies or photographs can be scanned electronically, converting the signals into components - reflecting the desired strengths of the four printing ink colours of yellow, cyan, magenta and black.

Much modern colour-magazine advertising relies on the fact that such systems are capable of electronic merging of different pictures, as evidenced by cars floating in mid-air or feet with 10 toes.

Colours of scenes or individual objects



Design artist at work on a DN300 with an Apollo disc drive

in them can be changed at random - a red hat can become a green one to reflect a concept or house style. Pictures can also be created electronically on the television screen by painting with "brushes" of different colours and thicknesses.

When the desired picture has been created on the screen, it can be transmitted over a telephone line to the advertising agency or client who, using a similar screen, can himself make changes to the colours or composition.

The company doing black-and-white typesetting or colour separation and page make-up will often have only a few employees, yet will have equipment costing hundreds of thousands of pounds. Such fragmenting into small, specialized units is common in the trade today, permitting large-volume usage of such expensive electronic equipment.

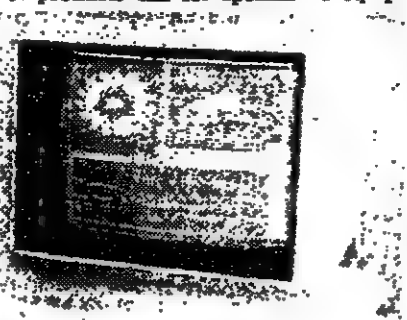
The alternative of using more people and manual methods, is becoming increasingly unattractive as the cost of

data processing and associated electronic equipment falls.

Where machine minders used to adjust the flow of ink on to a particular area of the sheet or web of paper by manually turning a key, they now set up the machine electronically by scanning the printing image on the plate, and make running adjustments to colour remotely. "Register", or exact relative positioning of the four printing ink colours, is now achieved electronically on web presses by the reading of signals on the edge of the paper web.

In the finishing department, too, operations such as paper cutting, folding and binding are electronically assisted. One example is in the guillotine: where previously an operator used to reposition the block of paper between the individually-made cuts, he now programmes into the machine's computer all the operations connected with a job. The machine then repositions the paper between the automatic cuts, producing finished labels or similar products, possibly for automatic wrapping.

I have intimated that the vast variety of products call for specialized equip-



Design artist at work on a DN300 with an Apollo disc drive

ment and techniques, many of which have changed dramatically in recent years.

One example is the production of cartons, where computer-aided design equipment is used to lay out complex carton sheets to maximum advantage on a sheet of board. After printing, and before folding and gluing into a recognizable carton, the sheet has to be "cut and creased", that is, cut through to remove waste areas and creased.

Instead of manually cutting the wooden forme to take the lengths of steel knife which will cut the board, the forme is now cut using a laser, operated according to the CAD information.

Often the products themselves have changed or are completely new. Cheques, credit cards, magnetic railway tickets, instant lottery tickets and complex mailers are just a few.

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Before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Kennedy (Judgment November 5)

Local authorities who decided to ban publications from public libraries for the duration of an industrial dispute between the publishers and their dismissed employees as a gesture of support for the employees' union, and to account an irrelevant factor and abused their powers as library authorities under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964. Their decision was accordingly unlawful.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court, in judicial review proceedings, quashed decisions by Ealing, Westminster and Camden London Borough Councils between May and September 1986, to ban from public libraries within their areas newspapers and periodicals published by the first and second applicants, Times Newspapers Ltd and News Group Newspapers Ltd.

In each case the third applicants were News International plc, the holding company of the first and second applicants. The fourth applicants, Mrs Margaret Kerr, Mr Desmond Alan Clifton-Mogg and Mr Peter Alfred Slade, were each resident in a respective borough and regular users of the libraries and readers of *The Times* there.

Section 7 of the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964 provides: "(1) It shall be the duty of every library authority to provide a comprehensive and efficient library service for all persons desiring to make use thereof."

"(2) In fulfilling its duty under the preceding subsection, a library authority shall in particular have regard to the desirability - (a) of securing... that facilities are available for the borrowing of, or reference to, books and other printed materials, sufficient in number, range and quality to meet the general requirements and any special requirements of both adults and children."

Mr Anthony Lester, QC and Mr David Pannick for the applicants; Mr James Goudie, QC and Mr Alan Wilkie for the councils.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS said that the first applicants published and printed the national newspapers, *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*, and the weekly periodicals, *The Times Educational Supplement*, *The Times Literary Supplement* and *The Times Magazine*.

The second applicants published and printed the national newspapers, *The Sun* and *News of the World*.

In January 1986 the first and second applicants commenced to print their newspapers in new premises in Wapping and ceased to use for that purpose their premises in Gray's Inn Road and Bowdrie Street.

That move brought about a strike of their employees who were members of the trade union, NGA '82, the National Graphical Association and the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers.

Their employers considered them to have thereby repudiated their contracts of employment and they were dismissed. A bitter industrial dispute ensued which to this day remained unresolved.

The trade union leaders and representatives called upon local authorities to take action against the first three applicants, personified by Mr Rupert Murdoch, which would be in some small degree harmful to the public and an indication of sympathy with the views and activities of the trade unions and their members in the dispute.

The action taken by the councils was to ban from their libraries all copies of the newspapers and periodicals mentioned. All had previously been stocked by the libraries, save that the *News of the World* had not been available at libraries in Camden.

Over 30 Socialist controlled local authorities in England, Scotland and Wales had taken similar action, although some had since withdrawn the ban.

Eight applications for judicial review by the applicants were outstanding. Applicants maintained that each of the councils, by banning the publications from their libraries, had abused the powers given to them as library authorities under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964 and were in breach of the duty in section 7(1) to provide a comprehensive and efficient library service to all persons desiring to make use thereof.

It was submitted that in making the decisions complained of regard was had to improper and irrelevant considerations of a political or analogous nature, and was wholly alien to what was permissible to contemplate in the use of the relevant power and the proper discharge of the statutory duty.

The councils accordingly sought declarations that the decisions were *ultra vires* and void, *certiorari* to quash each decision and injunctions restraining the councils from taking further steps to implement or enforce the decisions.

The councils denied any abuse of power or breach of section 7(1) and submitted that the applicants' remedy lay in a claim for damages against the Minister for the Arts of his power under section 10 of the Act to investigate any alleged failure to carry out duties under the Act.

Before the ban *The Times* was clearly regarded by the councils as a major daily paper which ought to be in their libraries.

There was no doubt that, when asked by the applicants to use his powers under section 10, the minister showed a disinclination to do so and might never have done so if the applications for judicial review had not been made.

It was equally clear that the councils' reason for imposing the ban was solely that it could be used as a weapon in aid of the dismissed print workers in their actions in the industrial dispute to damage the other side, with the additional reason in the case of Camden that some of those workers lived in their borough.

In the course of the hearing, counsel conceded as much and also that the councils were acting in concert in imposing the ban. It was also beyond dispute that the ban was only for the duration of the dispute, and that when the dispute was over, the banned publications would again be available to the public in the councils' libraries.

How could such a ban be consistent with the councils' dominant duty under section 7(1) and the subordinate duty under section 7(2)?

It was submitted for the councils that the reasons for the ban were not inconsistent with their statutory duty, and that within their discretion as to what to provide in libraries, they were entitled to have regard to the conduct of a publisher even though political affiliation played a significant part in the conduct of that conduct and of the publisher.

The first stage was that under rule 76 a person might introduce the relevant implied covenants by being expressed in a registered disposition to transfer as "beneficial owner". There unquestionably had been a registered disposition in the present case so that the covenants of good title set out in Schedule 2 to the Law of Property Act 1925 were to be read into the transfer.

Moreover, the covenants did not merely relate to so much of the land as the defendants were entitled to transfer but to the whole of the subject matter expressed to be conveyed.

The covenants implied by section 76 were introduced by rule 76 into the registered disposition. The scope of the covenants thus introduced was limited by rule 77(1), the primary object of which was to simplify the form of transfers in the registered conveyancing by making it unnecessary to refer expressly to, *inter alia*, charges and other interests appearing or protected on the register.

The crucial question was what was meant by "the register". It was probable that the draftsman only had in mind the simple case where a registered proprietor transferred land of which he was the registered proprietor, and the only relevant register was the register of the registered proprietor's own title.

His Lordship found it hard to suppose that the draftsman envisaged that solicitors would so arrange matters that a registered proprietor would purport to include in one transfer land of which he was the registered proprietor and also land to which he had no title and of which someone else was the registered proprietor under a different title number.

The scheme of the Land Registry was that, although there was a global register of all registered titles, there was also a separate register for each individual title, comprising the property register, a proprietor's register and a charges register for that individual title.

On a sale, the vendor furnished the purchaser with an authority to inspect "the register" and if required with a copy of the subsisting entries in the register and of any filed plan.

In that context, the register had to mean the register of the land of which the vendor was the registered proprietor, since under rule 287 of the 1925 Rules only the proprietor of land or of any charge or incumbrance thereon could authorize anyone to inspect any entry in the register relating to that land.

The plaintiffs could therefore inspect two things only: first, with the defendants' authority, the entries on the register of title

While conceding that the councils were under a duty to act only for a proper purpose and without having regard to irrelevant considerations, it was submitted that it was a matter of concern to some at least of those who had elected the Socialist councillors that the print workers had been dismissed in what was regarded as a shameful way. It was submitted that the councils would be entitled to take into account the fact that the author of a book was known to favour apartheid in South Africa, or had made it known that royalties from his book were to be paid to the IRA, or was an enemy of the state, in deciding whether such books should be in their libraries.

It was said that a reason did not become irrelevant merely by applying a political label to it: local government was a political arena in which the minister might enter, but the courts could not descend.

Having regard to *dicta* of Mr Justice Forbes in *R v Rushmore Borough Council, Ex parte Crawford* (The Times November 28, 1981) and of Mr Justice Glidwell in *R v Inner London Education Authority, Ex parte Westminster City Council* (1985) 1 WLR 28, 49, his Lordship accepted that the court could not intervene in political disputes.

But his Lordship disagreed with any suggestion that those cases left support for the view that a library decision might be lawful when it was taken on purely political grounds.

A library decision might be lawful within section 7(1) if the dominant purpose bringing it about was not unlawful, even though inspired to some extent by political motive.

But in the present case there was but the one purpose. That purpose was set by a political attitude to a so-called workers' struggle against a tyrannical employer with the object of punishing the employer.

Was such a decision lawful or an abuse of power? If it was the latter, it was conceded that judicial review should be available to the applicants.

Counsel for the applicants pointed out that the case was the first under the Act. He said that the case concerned what persons might read in public libraries and censorship of reading material by a library authority taking action against an industrial dispute and for no other reason.

It was submitted that a constitutional issue was involved: freedom of expression and the right to receive information and ideas without arbitrary interference. A library authority was the servant of the users and could not use its statutory power as a weapon in an industrial dispute.

Counsel conceded that in extreme cases personal objections to authors could be a valid library-related objection, but that the present case was a glaring example of abuse of the council's powers which many local authorities were acting in concert.

The speeches in *Wheeler v Leicester City Council* (1985) AC 1054, 1078-1080 were instructive as to the circumstances in which courts would interfere with decisions of local authorities.

Thus it was argued that the councils' conduct was clearly illegal, irrational and unfair to members of the public.

Counsel for the applicants also relied on *Pudfield v Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food* (1968) AC 997, where it was held that a court was entitled to interfere if a statutory discretion was used to frustrate the policy of the conferring Act.

Lord Upjohn said (at p1058) that it would be unlawful behaviour *inter alia*, to take into account some wholly irrelevant or extraneous consideration and he later commented on the irrelevance of political considerations.

What Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, said in *Pratt v Attorney General* (1958) 1 QB 554, 572 was close to the central point in issue in the present case: "A planning authority are not at liberty to use their powers for an ulterior object."

The ban imposed by the councils was for an ulterior object. It was inspired by political views which moved them to use their statutory powers to interfere in an industrial dispute.

Parliament did not contemplate such action to be within the power conferred by section 7. The council would have thought that such a ban was open to it in discharge of its duty to service libraries.

It had been clearly demonstrated that the councils had taken into account an irrelevant consideration.

It was also argued that the effect of the ban was to render what was probably a library service complying with section 7 into something which fell short of a comprehensive and efficient service.

It would not be right to say that the provision of such a service depended on keeping the publications in the libraries, but before the ban each council had decided that the service would not reach the required standard unless the banned publications were part of it.

There were powerful indications that the ban involved a breach of section 7, but the applicants did not have to establish a breach if their reliance on abuse of power was sufficient for relief.

Finally, reliance on *R v Chief Constable of Merseyside, Ex parte Calveley* (1985) 1 QB 424, it was submitted for the councils that the applicants should be denied relief because section 10 did not deprive the court of jurisdiction, but it was material to the question whether the court should proceed to a determination.

It was argued for the councils to proceed, as they had, that in the present case the ban they had been within the spirit or the letter of the law. They had deliberately flouted it when they knew that sensible and responsible officials strongly advised them that they were proceeding to act unlawfully.

Camden's additional reason was a transparent ploy of camouflage which did nothing to diminish the seriousness of the conduct.

It deliberately set out to punish the applicants. It had readily and easily available a weapon which it proceeded wilfully to use regardless of the library requirements of the public which should have been but was not their concern.

It could not be other than to all sensible and right-minded people alarming to see such irresponsible behaviour by persons elected to serve their interests according to clearly stated law and in defiance of impeccably correct advice.

There could hardly be a clearer manifestation of an abuse of power the remedy for which it was for the court and not the minister to provide.

Mr Justice Kennedy agreed. Solicitors: Theodore Goddard; Mr N. L. Green, Ealing; Mr C. T. Mahoney, Hammer-smith; and Mr F. Nickson, Camden.

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under rule 288, as contracting purchasers of adjoining land, the property register and filed plan only of the title which included the yellow and other adjoining land.

The reference in rule 77(1)(a) to charges and other interests appearing or protected on the register could not extend to matters the subject of entries which the plaintiffs as purchasers could not have inspected.

Therefore the "register" referred to in rule 77 could not mean the global register of all registered land, but referred only to the register of the individual title, that is, in the context of the present case the title number P7608 of which the defendants were the registered proprietors.

It was that proprietorship alone under which the scheme of the Act empowered them to make the disposition referred to in rule 77 which his Lordship took to be the same as the registered disposition referred to in rule 76.

Although there was a special power under rule 288 to inspect the property register and filed plan of the adjoining land, the emphasis of the Act and Rules as between vendor and purchaser was so strongly on inspection merely of the register of the title of which the vendor was the registered proprietor that the reference to "the register" in rule 77(1)(a) ought to be similarly so limited.

His Lordship therefore disagreed with the judge on the point on which he had decided the action against the plaintiffs. The judge's order should be set aside and an inquiry as to damages ordered.

Lord Justice Croom-Johnson gave a concurring judgment.

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS, agreed with Lord Justice Dillon in all respects save as to the construction of the transfer. Since, in his judgment, the transfer did not include the yellow land, he would have remitted the matter to the Chancery Division for claim for rectification.

Solicitors: Barker Son & Isherwood, Andover; Trehowans, Salisbury.

## Title under another entry not protected

*A. J. Dunning & Sons (Shropshire) Ltd v Sykes & Son (Poole) Ltd*

Before Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Dillon and Lord Justice Croom-Johnson (Judgment October 30)

On a conveyance of registered land, an implied covenant of good title took effect subject to any other interest in the land appearing or protected on the register under that title number, but not to any interest in land which was the subject matter of a different title number.

The Court of Appeal so held allowing an appeal by the plaintiffs, *A. J. Dunning & Sons (Shropshire) Ltd*, from Mr Donaldson, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Chancery Division who on July 26, 1984, decided that the defendants, *Sykes & Son (Poole) Ltd*, had not been in breach of an implied covenant of good title to land purportedly conveyed by them to the plaintiffs.

Mr Peter Rawson for the plaintiffs; Mr Nicholas Warren for the defendants.

LORD JUSTICE DILLON said that the defendants were the registered proprietors of land with absolute title under title number P7608. They sold parts of the land, each part sold being given a new title number.

After one such sale, the land removed was incorrectly placed on the plan of the land sold - referred to in the proceedings as the "yellow land" - with that which was still part of P7608.

As a result of subsequent dealings in the land, the plaintiffs became the purchasers of a part of P7608 - referred to as the "red land" - which was next to and which a plan attached to the Land Registry transfer, purported to include, the yellow land (to which the defendants had no title).

By clause 2 of the transfer the defendants as beneficial owners transferred to the plaintiffs "all that freehold property edged with red on the plan annexed hereto being... part of the property registered in the title number P7608."

The plaintiffs obtained planning permission and built on the

land they thought was theirs an industrial building one corner of which rested on the yellow land. When they came to register their title under the transfer, they discovered they had no title to the yellow land and had to purchase it from its true owners.

The plaintiffs therefore claimed damages against the defendants for breach of covenant for title which they said were to be implied in the transfer by virtue of section 76 of and Schedule 2 to the Law of Property Act 1925, section 38(2) of the Land Registration Act 1925, and rule 76 and 77 of the Land Registration Rules 1925 (L.R. 1925 No 1093 (L. 28)).

Rule 77 of the 1925 Rules provided that "(1) Any covenant implied by virtue of section 76 of the Law of Property Act 1925, in a disposition of registered land shall take effect as though the disposition was expressly made subject to - (a) all charges and other interests appearing or protected on the register..."

The first question was whether as a matter of construction the subject matter, namely the yellow land, was included in the subject matter expressed to be conveyed by the red edging on the plan attached to the transfer, the reference to the property comprised in the title number was subordinate, believed to be accurate, but to be rejected if demonstrably wrong.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the judge found in favour of the plaintiffs, but he was of the opinion that the plaintiffs' case was not made out.

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# GENERAL APPOINTMENTS

November 6, 1986

Industry Year 1986 is nearly over. Industrialists and others keen to help education to play its part in the success of the year may rest assured that it is not yet too late to do so. Many of us would dearly like to spread the industrial and business gospel more widely and effectively. We know that too many of our high-flyers go into wealth-creating rather than wealth-circulating jobs.

But we are not the sole masters of our professional destiny and we urgently need more of your help — in terms of influence as well as cash. Here are 12 possible action points:

● Spread the message at every opportunity among your less aware industrial and business colleagues, especially if they themselves have children of school age. In career choice, as in so many other things, teacher influence is very small compared with parental advice — even in a boarding school. Demand the chance to address parents' meetings at local schools.

Take the argument into the Rotary clubs, local Law Society lunches and anywhere you can find a high proportion of representatives of those professions which have traditionally snapped up the high-flyers whom industry so desperately needs. A high proportion of high-flying teenagers follow their parents into family law, insurance, and

accountancy firms eventually, even if they don't do so at once. Encourage the broader view.

● Seek to extend your influence over Department of Education and Science civil servants, university teachers and exam board officials. While the exam hurdles are excessively theoretical, our hands as teachers are severely tied. The new GCSE syllabuses, good though their evidence-based approach is, show signs of making such big demands on the time of both teachers and pupils that non-exam studies and work experience may be severely squeezed out.

● The GCSE proposal for merit and distinction certificates involving a compulsory craft-design-technology component, and the scheme for AS levels which would encourage the study of a greater range of subjects at 18-plus may yet be dropped because of a lack of resources, yet both might increase a candidate's chance of avoiding narrow academic specialization. Encourage the universities to be more flexible over formal entry requirements.

● Examine current O and A level courses in business studies and see how much of a consensus can be achieved from your end about their ideal content. One hundred independent schools alone now offer Business Studies A level; while half the industrial employers in the UK are demanding more business studies in schools, and the other half are telling us to stick

## The 12 ways in which industrialists can help education to play its part are outlined by Nigel Richardson



to traditional economics so that pupils do not arrive on factory doorsteps full of half-baked jargon, you are providing far too easy an alibi for those who find the status quo more comfortable than radical curriculum change. Could you offer more facilities for A level business studies project work?

● Take an interest in those organizations which specialize in careers advice for teenagers. Do their questionnaires present industry and business in a favourable light, or is there a "hidden bias" against them? Are their industry questions sufficiently specific?

● Publicize your support for GAP years — the break between school and university — which involve industrial experience via such schemes as Index. Alternatively, encourage GAP projects which include physically demanding expedition work or significant

community service. Being part of a mountaineering team or tending the dying in Mother Teresa's hospitals in Calcutta can bring out dramatic leadership qualities which have previously lain dormant. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme can be similarly challenging. Conventional forms of national service would do far less for the high-flyer.

● Seek to establish contacts with primary and prep school heads. Catch them young — both the Jesuits and Miss Jean Brodie knew that significant influences on children were best implanted very early on.

● Argue your case much more in *The Times Educational Supplement* and the journals of the teaching unions.

● Consider whether your firm needs an education or schools liaison officer. If it already has one, are his budget and status

sufficient? The courses they run for teachers can be invaluable — Unilever taught me more about industries and careers in 36 hours in a Cambridge college than I could have learned from a dozen conventional factory visits. I have found myself over several years able to use their material — and promote their name — with a sizeable number of sixth-formers.

● Do all you can to support organizations which provide case studies and business games courses for teachers. The CRAC Insight course is superb — in three days teachers can amass enough material and ideas to run a one-term or two-term sixth-form general studies course even with no previous business experience. See whether your own firm can devise or sponsor a new game — the Metal Box business game and the Bradford Production pack have been notable leaders in the field.

● Send your brightest young recruits into schools on conferences organized by the education branch of the Industrial Society. Their new Managing Decisions conferences are specifically designed for high-flying sixth-formers; they need the personnel to match. The ISCO Management Training Centre at Bourville needs more sponsoring companies.

● Support schools and universities which are seeking to set up industrial fellowship schemes — especially those in rural areas

where factory contacts are limited. One leading girls' school has recently appointed a full-time careers officer straight from industry; give other schools the encouragement and the practical help to do the same.

● Give more teachers the chance of secondment into industry for a term or even a year. Opportunities for arts graduates are specially limited.

One other idea. Has the time perhaps come for a full-scale liaison service organized by the Confederation of British Industry, the Institute of Marketing or a group of similar national organizations, and aimed specifically at high-flying sixth-formers?

Much of the teaching material and most of the national projects have so far been pitched lower down the age and ability range. The armed services, all have liaison officers who visit our schools termly and who "nurture" potential candidates along over a significant period.

Should not industry and commerce do the same and should not they also provide an equivalent to the excellent Services presentation teams, carrying their message all over the country? Leaving it until the university "milk round" is often far too late; industry may not be able to offer Big Bang City-style salaries at 21, but in this it

could at least tap the potential market first.

Whether leadership can be "taught" rather than "caught" in the teenage years is a more complicated issue than it seems at first sight. What is certainly true is that teachers can attempt the task only if they have the right opportunities, experience and materials themselves. Resources and the right teachers to use them are desperately scarce.

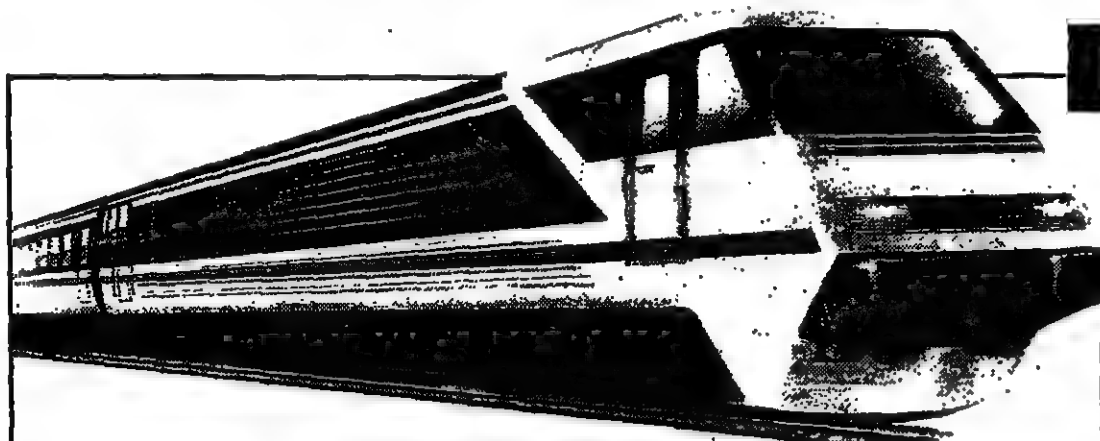
Yes, our experience is sometimes woefully limited — school to university and back again. But don't assume that we all entered teaching merely as a career-long escape route from the harsh industrial realities. Those of us who trained as teachers 15 years ago, at a time when there was an assumption of permanent economic growth, were taught to believe that it would be easy to train for a completely new career at least once, possibly twice, in a lifetime.

We expected to be able to apply our teaching skills in other fields later on, and foresaw others who would want to make the professional journey the other way. That vision now looks hopelessly optimistic. Long Live Industry Year 1986. We in schools need your help long term if we are to maximize its impact.

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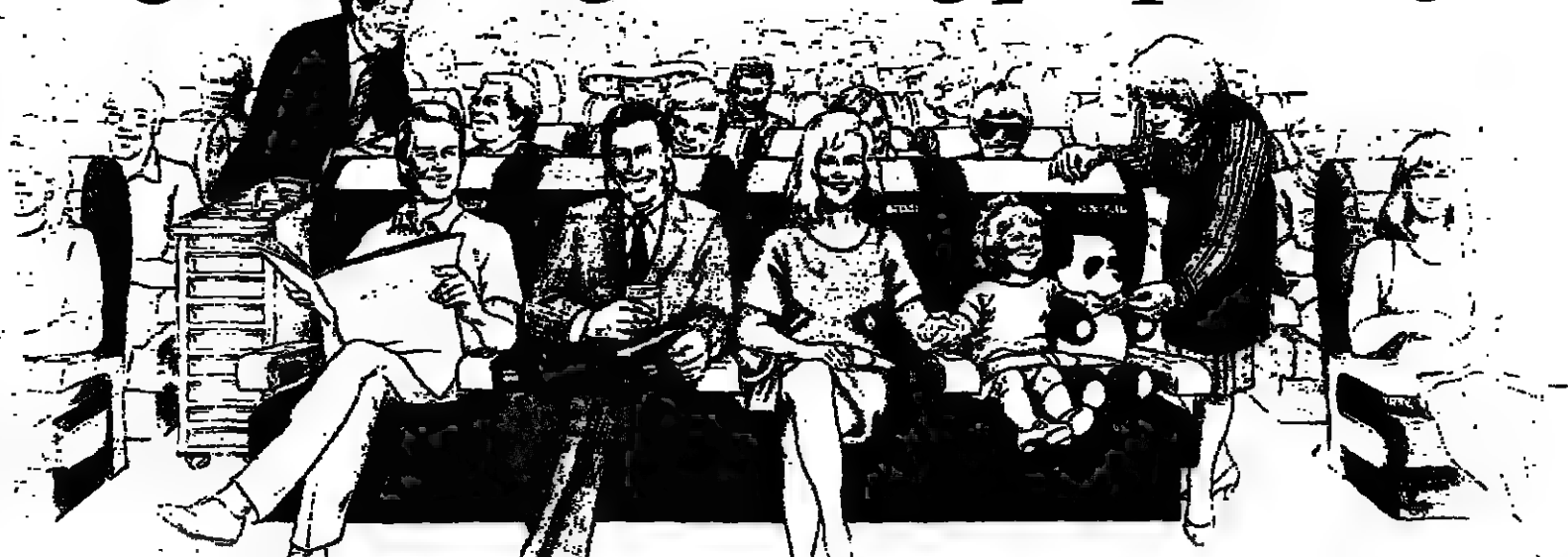
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Qadir, a devout man who keeps faith with the old-time religion of wrist spin

## Spinning star of the East

Even the man's name, Abdul Qadir, has an evocative ring in English ears: it has overtones of Eastern mystery and magic. As the best wrist-spinner in the world, Qadir relishes his plots and devious work as much as any villain in a pantomime. West Indies were left looking like novices in the first Test at Faisalabad when Qadir took six for 16 and they were bowled out for 53.

Pakistan have won more than one Test in the past eight years through the baffling mixture of leg-breaks and googlies which Qadir can produce from his bag of tricks. Never before, though, has his bowling method - considered obsolete in most other countries - been rewarded by such a crushing victory.

Only a handful of wrist-spinners remain in cricket, most of them in India or Pakistan, and Qadir alone commands a regular place in his country's Test team. Elsewhere they are considered a luxury since containment was coined as a bowling tactic. And Qadir himself joined the virtually extinct breed only by chance.

He showed an aptitude for cricket from the start and was playing alongside grown men from an age when in England it would still have been at prep school. He was about 12 and already finding it hard work to

**TEST RECORD:** 39 tests, 9,932 balls, 4,529 runs, 135 wickets. Average 33.54. Best bowling 7 for 142. Five wickets in an innings twice. Ten wickets in a match twice. A wicket every 73.57 balls. Full name: Abdul Qadir Khan; born Lahore 15 September, 1955. Test debut 1977-78 against England at Lahore. Best bowling in Test cricket: seven for 142 against Australia at Faisalabad, 1982-83.

open both the batting and the bowling for his college and club sides in Lahore when his cricket dramatically changed direction.

To conserve energy, Qadir switched to spin in the nets and his team-mates were startled to find the amount of turn he could get. They encouraged him to persevere with his new style and his progress was rapid.

In the local fashion, Qadir was taken under the wing of the Habib Bank, one of numerous Pakistani business houses and other institutions who run sides in the domestic first-class competitions. The Habib Bank were just becoming a force in cricket and their captain, Abdur Raqeeb, a left-arm spinner, became Qadir's first mentor. As spinners, there was an empathy between them. Later Qadir established a bond with the wicketkeeper, Wasim Bari, his first Test partner.

Wasim advised and guided me and above all he kept faith with me when things went wrong, not least on my first visit to England. I have never been coached in the English sense. I watched other players but mostly I worked everything out for myself. I still feel I am learning every time I bowl.

Qadir is a devout Muslim and his cricket bag is never without his prayer mat. "Our faith teaches us that nothing is impossible to achieve if you have enough belief and determination. Allah has been good to me and I never forget that."

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Gerald Broadhead

Qadir's religion has a hand, too, in restricting the extent to which he capitalizes commercially on his fame as a cricketer. He is happiest away from the limelight, at home in his new house, seeing as much as possible of his four young children, three sons and a daughter.

Second to Qadir's religion, though, is a fierce desire for his country to do well. "Pakistan's victories always mean more to me than any successes I might have," he said. When omitted from a Test against India for disciplinary reasons, Qadir admits to weeping endlessly as he watched television and saw the Pakistan attack struggling.

Pakistan cricket has always been blighted by internal squabbles and Qadir's artistic temperament seldom allows what he feels as any personal slight to pass unnoticed. Answering a magazine questionnaire, he put immodesty and bad manners down as

his pet dislikes. "I never want to cause trouble but there has to be justice" was his explanation for several brushes he has had with cricket authorities.

Two years ago he was sent home prematurely from a tour to New Zealand after a clash with Zaheer Abbas, though an inquiry later cleared him of any misconduct.

For a man whose English is only a secondary language, Qadir is remarkably articulate about his approach to bowling. "Like any form of art, as you say, bowling is a question of mood for me. It is a mental confrontation; you are trying to read the batsman; he is trying to read you. But most important is the mood. I bowl badly if the mood is not right for any reason - perhaps a muscle strain or something else on my mind."

Listening to Qadir, I was not

surprised to learn that chess is a favourite relaxation and I learned elsewhere that he plays to a high standard. He exchanges pieces on the cricket field, too. Asked about taking punishment as a bowler, he said: "I do not mind being hit for four. Sometimes I give four to test the wicket or test the batsman. Four does not matter only wickets. When I took seven for 142 against Australia four years ago we won the match by an innings."

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He did admit that the variety of balls he could bowl was the essence of his skill. "I can and must bowl differently every ball. It is necessary to change the speed, the flight and, of course, the spin. When I watch Sivaramakrishnan, of India, or Holland, the Australian, the difference, I think, from me is that they are more mechanical. There is not the necessary variety."

English spectators next season will see little change in Qadir's unusual bowling action, those jerky twisting movements of trunk, arms and legs must make osteopaths wince. This action evolved slowly over the years and arouses more interest, perhaps, than that of any other bowler since Doug Wright's kangaroo hops for Kent and England. Before each ball Qadir squeezes and carves the ball and then holds it up to the batsman with his left hand before starting his semi-circular approach.

As he gets under way, the right-hand fingers are curled and his jaw stroked rhythmically before the ball is flicked into the right hand. First he walks four, rather mincing steps, before four more strides are covered in prancing, springy style. As he reaches the wicket his left arm falls in front as if to attract the batsman's attention. The right shoulder and trunk contort, the wrist twists and the ball whirls through the air. An animated corkscrew would bowl no differently.

Qadir nudges 5ft 6in and has weighed 10st 5lb for many years. Like several Pakistani cricketers, a doubt exists about his exact age. Reference books have him born on September 15, 1955. But he has recently found evidence that he was probably born a year later. That would have made him 31 in 1977-78 against 14th Brearley's England.

In the second Test at Hyderabad he took six for 44 and it was clear that a new star was rising in the East. His ambition was always to take 250 Test wickets but he now accepts this target is beyond reach, though he hopes to play for many years yet.

To date Qadir's 39 Tests have brought him 135 wickets at 33.54 each. It is noteworthy, too, that Qadir has the control to be an integral part of Pakistan's one-day team. In 32 limited-overs internationals he has taken 47 wickets, at an average of 22.62.

A remarkable bowler and the years ahead will reveal whether he is the last of the line or whether others will be inspired to keep wrist-spin alive in representative cricket.

Richard Streeton

## Athey and Slack make up lost ground

From a Special Correspondent  
Kalgoorlie

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## Rebels gather in S Africa

Kim Hughes left Perth yesterday to captain the second rebel Australian cricket tour of South Africa (Reuter reports). His lawyer, Stephen Owen-Conway, said he would arrive in South Africa at the weekend and join the three-team tour.

Greg Shipperd, Terry Alderman and Tom Hogan, already there.

The whole team would assemble next week, according to the lawyer who had succeeded in handling Hughes' Federal Court case against the West Australian Cricket Association's ban on him playing club cricket.

Mr Justice Tooley last week ruled that the WACA's action was illegal under the Trade Practices Act and amounted to a unlawful restraint of Hughes' trade as a cricketer. On Tuesday, the judge reserved his decision on who should pay for the protracted legal battle.

Owen-Conway said a decision was expected in a few days.

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## Reid and Matthews, Western Australia's two left-handed

bowlers, make tomorrow's match one of considerable significance. Matthews, who though 24, is playing only his second full season of Sheffield Shield cricket, is building a reputation as a dangerous inswinging bowler. His selection in Australia's 12 for Brisbane was not forecast, but on the evidence of Western Australia's first two games it was deserved. His 11 wickets costing under 30 each.

Reid, who is also in the Test XI, is 6ft 8in. Like Garner of the West Indies he makes up in accuracy and bounce what he lacks in pace, and cuts the ball away from the right-handed batsmen.

England and it is hard to think that Slack, who was twice dismissed by Reid, also a left-hander, in the Queensland game, is looking forward to the confrontation with much confidence.

Marsh, the opening batsman, and Wood, the captain, who made a patient 100 in the Trent Bridge Test last year, are Western Australia's other present and past Test players. To England's disappointment, though, Marks, a recent team mate, has been omitted from the side to give experience to Mulder, a 22-year-old offspinner who played six Sheffield games last season without establishing himself.

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## Matthews is known to England

Chris Matthews, aged 24, the new player in Australia's squad for the first Test match against England, is no stranger to Micky Stewart, the assistant manager of the tourists. Four years ago, Stewart gave the Western Australian left-hander a room in his house and introduced him to English cricket.

"I managed to get Chris a few games with Chichester and he also played for Surrey second XI on a couple of occasions," Stewart said. "The powerful left-hander is a bowler in the Western Australia first XI and is expected to play in England's 12 for the first Test in Brisbane, starting tomorrow week."

Geoff Lawson, the last bowler now recovering from a serious back injury, returns after missing the Test match, but there is no place for Craig McDermott. With Matthews joining follow Western Australia's first Test match, England are set to face a line of attack which has already found them wanting on this tour.

The success of the Queenslanders, Duff, Tait and Harry Friel, and South Australia's Sam Parkinson, probably influenced the Australian selectors.

Australia's 12 for Brisbane will be a mix of experience and youth. Duff, 24, is a left-hander who has played 10 Tests for Australia. He is a powerful batsman and a fast bowler. Tait, 23, is a right-hander who has played 10 Tests for Australia. He is a powerful batsman and a fast bowler. Friel, 22, is a left-hander who has played 10 Tests for Australia. He is a powerful batsman and a fast bowler. Parkinson, 21, is a right-hander who has played 10 Tests for Australia. He is a powerful batsman and a fast bowler.

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bers today to ask how they intend to improve crowd control and security for the rest of the tour. He will ask for umpires to be briefed to take the players off as soon as anything is thrown on to the field. He is particularly concerned about the three one-day internationals still to come in Sialkot, Multan and Hyderabad. Tension is higher at the limited over matches and the first between the teams, at Peshawar on October 17, was also interrupted by crowd disturbances outside the stadium. Police had to use tear gas at the end of the game to disperse demonstrators. All the grounds West Indies are playing on are World Cup venues.

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## BOXING

## Graham's corner have sights on Barkley if Hagler loses his title

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

The world title options open to Herol Graham, Britain's world No. 1 middleweight from Sheffield, are almost as varied and confusing as his footwork and body punches that had Mark Kaylor punching air on Tuesday night at Wembley.

Before going in to defend his title, Graham was told that the bout was a final eliminator for the World Boxing Association (WBA) title which would be declared vacant after Marvin Hagler was stripped of not complying with the rules of the world body.

The opponent was to be Thomas Hearns, the former undisputed world light-middleweight champion, who was looking to moving up to light-heavyweight. The date pencilled in by Mike Barrett was January 10; the venue Wembley.

Yesterday Hagler was still champion. Graham's manager, B J Eastwood, however, was not convinced that Hagler would be stripped — on December 15. The world

champion was just being given time to agree to boxing Leonard over the WBA distance of 15 rounds, pay the WBA's sanction fees for the bout and agree to defend against Graham as well.

"That means Hagler will be stripped, you can put the rubber stamp on that. I had a talk with James Binns, the WBA legal adviser, last night," Eastwood said.

Still, there was a distinct vagueness about Graham's next opponent. It could be an American called Iran Barkley, who had come from nowhere and pushed Hearns into third place in the WBA rankings.

Barkley is one tough, tough fighter. Mickey Duff, Eastwood's matchmaker, said.

Eastwood was quite happy with the new pairing, but when it was suggested that only Hearns and Hagler generated the money, the top table nodded their heads and agreed it might just be possible to pay Barkley a little something to step aside and let Hearns back in.

Graham, the "country boy," who for years had ploughed his way round provincial halls trying to get himself heard in London, did not mind who the opponent was so long as it was the bright lights. "Naturally, I want Hagler, he is the man to beat, but if I can't have him I'll fight anybody," Barkley, Hearns, or Hagler, it is almost certain that the January date will be missed. Graham sustained a small cut in his brow with Kaylor that needed two stitches. It could mean a six-week lay-off, which would leave Graham with too little time to prepare for the most important bout of his career.

Eastwood said he was disappointed in Graham's training for Kaylor and it is highly unlikely that will rush into a world title bout without adequate preparation.

Graham will have to be much more accurate with his blows against any one of the Americans than he was against Kaylor.

Graham seemed to be trying to do two things at the same time: running and hitting. Only Leonard has mastered the technique of hitting on the retreat. Graham's blows were often either well beyond the target or well short of it.

It was disturbing for his corner that he was never able to connect solidly enough to put Kaylor on the floor as most boxers seem to be able to do these days. Eastwood gave him seven out of 10. My marks would have been five out of 10 and a can-do-better note to take home.

By the seventh he was putting his shots together rather better and caught Kaylor with good combinations, and was smart enough not to overstay his welcome and stay to lunch, tea and dinner.

Kaylor certainly had his fill by the eighth. He looked unsteady on his feet, like one feels stepping off a stationary escalator.

The West Ham boxer said that he would be moving up to super-middle — 12st — a kind of old colonels' retreat where they can relive their Sidi Barrani days.

Really, the boxing board should have a serious talk with him about his future and persuade him not to become just an opponent for young fighters.

Three eye specialists, among them Dr Louis Angioletti, an expert on retina problems, were chosen by Lloyds of London, who are insuring the contest, to submit the former champion to a stringent eye examination. Dr Angioletti said: "The weak area of the retina was completely reinforced so that, in my opinion, there is less risk of further retinal damage. I do not think that Mr Leonard would be subjected to any unacceptable risks."

"If I thought there was a one per cent chance that he was at any greater risk to have damage done to his eye, I would sit him down and say: 'I don't think you should fight.' Leonard quipped: 'My eyes are fine. Look at Hagler's eyes. They have been swollen more than my eyes ever were.'"

Leonard is already assured of a payday of some \$11 million, while Hagler will collect a record purse of \$12 million plus between 50 and 75 per cent of the receipts over and above \$25 million, a deal which could be as much as double his earnings. The promoter, Bob Arum, believes the best could net around \$100 million.

## Leonard in perfect physical condition

New York (APF) — Sugar Ray Leonard, who met Marvin Hagler for the world middleweight title in Las Vegas on April 6, is in perfect physical condition, according to doctors who have examined him to decide whether he is to box again.

Leonard, aged 30, the former world welterweight and light-middleweight champion, retired from the ring in 1982 on medical advice to undergo an operation on a detached retina in his left eye. But the doctors confirmed that the boxer, once regarded as the best pound-for-pound boxer there has ever been, has no retina problems.

Leonard's doctor, Dr. J. J. Leonard, confirmed: "I'm fine. I wouldn't fight if I wasn't."

Dr Edwin P. Homanski, the medical officer for the Nevada State Sporting Commission, gave Leonard the green light to take on Hagler under WBA rules, over 12 rounds, after a thorough examination last week and he said: "A patient is a patient. We want about it the same way we would examine any person. My conclusion is that Leonard is in excellent physical health. There was no finding to preclude this fight in the state of Nevada."

## CROSS-COUNTRY

## Sluggardly pace over joint team

By a Correspondent

Inertia, rather than enthusiasm, is being shown by the administrators of cross-country in Britain towards the ruling by the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) that, from 1988, only a joint team may represent them at the world championships.

At its meeting in Athens last July, the IAAF decided to end the anomaly whereby one of its members, the British Amateur Athletic Board, has for decades been sending four teams — representing England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland — in each of the three categories, senior and junior men, and women.

Instead of welcoming this as an opportunity for reform and the chance to set up a national distance squad (as advocated by Frank Dick, the national director of coaching) the response of the domestic authorities has been disappointingly lukewarm.

Suggestions made by Tim Hutchings, the secretary of the International Athletics Club, for the formation this winter of an England squad have been rebuffed by the English Cross Country Union.

It was Hutchings who, six months ago, presided over a meeting of many of the present England team, plus seven former English champions who called for a squad system with a more flexible method of team selection.

The meeting agreed that the traditional mud and guts mile national race just three weeks before the seven and a half-mile international was detrimental to their performance.

Hutchings, who won his second national championship last March, looks upon this winter as "a good opportunity to experiment" before the British team is established. "There are a number of runners who are interested in the squad, which would make it an attractive proposition for sponsors," he says. "But the ECCU has rejected our suggestion."

Basil Heatley, the England team manager and a national and international champion 35 years ago, says the ECCU is indeed committed to a squad system, and points to the first meeting of the new junior group at Loughborough just two weeks ago.

But he claims it is now too late for an England squad to be usefully established for the present season.

At the moment, the cross-country union are having talks with the BAAB, and Heatley intends, to speak with Hutchings and other senior runners at the Gateshead international later this month to discover their

## Bamford adamant that he was right

It took Maurice Bamford 150 paces from the Old Trafford dug-out to the Great Britain dressing room to decide what he was going to do, and he made up his mind only in the last few strides.

Along with 50,000 others, he had seen Great Britain thrashed 38-16 by Australia and knew that the requests were about to begin. He also knew that when he got back to the dressing room he would find 15 men with bowed heads, some with tears in their eyes, still trying to work out what had gone wrong.

"I counted every one of those paces," Bamford told me. "I knew it was all the time I had to make a decision. I was going back to a dressing room full of men whose confidence had just been shattered. They went out on to that field believing they would win. It felt apart and they were licked by the world's best team."

"What could I say that would lift them up again, restore that confidence in themselves? Only one decision could do that. I had to make them see and believe that I still had confidence in them. That is why I told them, then and there, that it would be the same squad of 17 for the second international at Elland Road. I saw the confidence coming back into them from the moment I said it."

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**FISHING**

**Rods for one's back**

By Conrad Voss Bark

Fishermen on Loch Awe, the famous trout loch in Argyll, are involved in a case of *catching*. Some of them are accused of fishing with six or seven rods at a time.

A Scottish correspondent of the *Trout and Salmon* magazine says that the Loch Awe Improvement Association is threatening to apply for a protection order, which would mean licences and controls. The Scots look upon licences to fish as an intolerable abuse of freedom, so one can imagine the high feelings involved.

The multi-rod fishermen seem to have gone a little too far in provoking the Improvement Association. They are also accused of cutting down trees, lighting fires and leaving litter, and of committing other offences which are not specified but are obviously described as "more serious". A plea that it was necessary to fell a tree to make room for back casts would not go down well with the Forestry Commission and from the other preliminary accusations either the Forestry Commission or the



Graham hopes to get as close to a world title bout as he is to his girl friend

## YACHTING

## Cudmore's flying start is ruined by fickle fortune

From Keith Wheatley, Fremantle

Sailing's fickle wind turned his face against Harold Cudmore yesterday. Just 24 hours after the British captain's historic win over Canada II, an accident to a crew member and then gear failure wrecked White Crusader's chance of a big win over America II.

On only the second tack after crossing the start-line well ahead of the American boat, a falling gale sheet flung the polewindcrincher, Mark Rushcut, against the winch drum. Rushcut, aged 24, was badly wounded and complained of severe chest pains. He was taken below, laid on sailbags and given painkillers. He spent the rest of the race there before an ambulance met White Crusader at the dockside and took the former world champion to Fremantle hospital, where he was detained with suspected broken ribs.

Eddie Warden-Owen took the injured man's place on the winch handles. "We can't blame the defeat on this accident but it was very much part of a day of bad luck," a syndicate spokesman said. "These boats are not easy to sail with 10 men."

In the blustery conditions of 18 knots plus, the British did remarkably well to overcome their short-handed disadvantage and stay six seconds ahead of John Koliis at the top mark.

Two legs later, on the first reach out to the wing mark, the spinnaker pole flexed and then bent double in the stiff breeze. As the foredeck crew struggled to get the useless spar down on deck, and the spar out of the

sewer, the yacht reached on for over two minutes with the pale white spinnaker not boomed out.

Koliis, at the helm of America II, was 40 seconds in front at this point. He looked back at Cudmore's situation and hoisted a protest flag. IYRU rules require a spinnaker to be boomed out.

At the wing mark, the British were 1min 15secs behind. Their spirits must have risen when they saw two crewmen up the lower mast of America II, apparently working on the luff of the sail. However, the problem must have been minor since the American yacht did not appear handicapped up the next

At the end of the second reach, Cudmore suffered a further mishap. The hauled-down spinnaker fell off the foredeck and into the big sea. The halyard and sheets had to be cut and White Crusader's tender later recovered the sail. At the second leeward mark, the British were 1min 18secs adrift. They managed to pull that back to 34 seconds two legs later as they rounded the buoy again. But, at the finish-line, the Americans had it by one minute exactly.

"It was disappointing not to win but there's no doubt we had equivalent boatspeed to the Americans," said Graham Walker, the British chairman. "The modifications to White Crusader have obviously been significant and in that respect we're very happy."

In what a sad leadout for Cudmore, having won the start against the Cup favourite, Koliis, and matched him boat

for boat up the first beat.

The day's other big race was between New Zealand and French Kiss where Marc Pajot remained in touch with the New Zealand yacht until the final two legs. Both boats were protest flags after some tough and aggressive pre-start manoeuvres. None of the protests was upheld. French Kiss seemed to fly downwind and, on two early runs and reaches, she halved the 30 second lead.

She continued her slow but sure improvement, mopping up the middle order players. Aldo Magliacchi won a close race, the lead never exceeding 40 seconds, against Canada II.

**RESULTS**

CHALLENGER CUMMATION: Second round, fourth day. (Subject to protest.) America II (USA), 3hr 18min 50sec, vs White Crusader (GB), 5hr 27min. Winning margin: 1min 8sec. USA (USA), 3hr 18min 50sec, vs White Crusader (GB), 5hr 27min. Winning margin: 1min 8sec.

**TABLE**

	W	L	Pts
America II	15	1	31
New Zealand	15	1	31
White Crusader	11	5	23
France	10	6	20
Stars and Stripes	10	6	20
USA	10	6	20
French Kiss	7	9	15
Canada II	7	9	15
Heart of America	4	12	8
Challenger France	4	12	8
Azzura	1	15	1

**TODAY'S RACES**

Heart of America v Eagle; New Zealand v Azzura; America II v Canada II; Challenger France v French Kiss; USA v White Crusader; Italia v Stars and Stripes.

## Mitchell's Recipe for getting to top of the heap

From Keith Wheatley, Fremantle

Richard De Vos intends no slight on the America's Cup by bringing his second-best boat to act as the New York Yacht Club's 'outing headquarters'.

Enterprise III, a 40 metres boat, can host eight guests in four staterooms and is up for sale at US\$5.9 million.

Enterprise IV is seven metres longer but is busy in the United States entertaining De Vos's customers and staff.

The co-founder and joint owner of the worldwide direct-selling organisation Amway, De Vos is also the chairman of America II, the New York Yacht Club's syndicate. He is no Newport 'hoi polloi' but a successful businessman who likes to race his own 15 metre yacht at weekends.

His explanation of how he got to the top of the heap is prosaic but graphic: "You give \$10,000. Then someone comes across and says would you give \$50,000? Next, it's would you be finance director? The vice-chairman and finally the top spot came the same way. There you are three years later and you're in for tens of thousands of dollars and you're the chairman. A series of events and you're totally immersed. It's the pattern of most people's lives."

De Vos has a theory, well-thought out, that most of us never make big decisions. It is just a string of little ones that add up to a definite answer. The organisation of the America II administration owes a lot to the De Vos world view. He came in to clean up the mess after syndicate politics had depised two chairmen in the early days.

"The syndicate was put together by one guy, Chuck Kirsch," De Vos recalled. "He got it off the ground, brought the first players together. Arthur Santry led in the interim, sorting things out, then I came in. They asked the guy who knows least about it to do the job."

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school right after the War — but I didn't know how to fly. Sometimes a business is best if you don't know all those things, then you can concentrate on the team as opposed to the chairman having to know about sailing, sail manufacture and all that stuff."

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## SPORT

## Snooker's rising star in profile

## Ambition is the driving force for Mr Clean

Neal Foulds had a run-in with the law recently. "You can't park that on the kerb, son," a policeman said, eyeing the offending BMW darkly. "And I've spoken to you before, haven't I? I recognize your face."

As well he might. Not because a young tough keeps falling foul of the parking laws in London, but because Foulds is the latest bright young thing of the snooker world and in this TV age that means fame. Members of the Essex constabulary expected, few sports followers can fail to know that Foulds, aged 23, was his first major tournament this season, ranks fourth on earth, and is thinking seriously about becoming world champion.

Which is quite a thought. In a market that has everything from white knight Steve Davis to black sheep Alex Higgins, is there really room for this latest insurance clerk from Perivale?

"I'm just not extreme enough"

"Oh I know I'm in no man's land at the moment," he said. "I don't think I'll ever manage to be the bad boy of snooker. I don't take drugs and I don't drink enough. In fact the last time I got drunk was on champagne after winning the BCF International this year in Stoke. No, I don't think I could ever be hated for any particular reason. I'm just not extreme enough like Steve and Alex."

Apart from his possession of extreme talent and dedication, it is true that his head is as level as the green baize tables he spends half his life leaning over. He has a wife, a son, a mortgage in Ealing and affectionate memories of the one and only time the glamour went to his head.

He was 20, in his first year as a professional, and in the first round of the Embassy — snooker's superbowl — he beat, of all people, the flamboyant, dissolute Higgins. Suddenly Foulds was a star, headed by the Press, willing victim of Fleet Street's relentless quote-chasing charge. And then he lost in the very next round to Doug Mountjoy. "I came right back to earth," he said. "It was the best thing that ever happened to me."

But that is probably not true. A more likely turning point came at the age of 12 when he accompanied his father Geoff, now a professional himself, to the old, seedy and now-demolished Bond Street snooker hall in Ealing. Frozen with fascination, Foulds junior watched the game for hours until he took up a cue in earnest himself two years later.

Where have they seen those steady pale blue eyes and slightly crooked-tooth smile before? Usually he puts them out of their misery. "I try to be nice," he said. "I still remember how wonderful it was when my hero, Gordon Banks, gave me his autograph."

But last he should appear a recruit to the Steve Davis school of pure driven snookiness, Foulds admits some hard-bitten ambitions. He wants to be established, world champion, financially secure — and known, even to members of the police force (traffic division). Finding a legal parking place for the BMW can be such a bore.

**Sue Mott**

Neal Foulds: aiming for number one

**EQUESTRIANISM**

## Professional riders can compete in Olympics

By Jenny MacArthur

The International Olympic Committee have confirmed that professional riders will be able to compete in the 1988 Olympic Games at Seoul providing they renounce their status and assume the role of non-professionals.

This is on a "once only" basis — riders can revert to being professional after the Games should they so wish but they cannot then become amateurs again for any subsequent Olympics. No horse bearing the name of a commercial company or product will be able to compete at the Olympics. The new ruling is in accordance with the present eligibility rules of the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI), the sport's ruling body.

In fact the new FEI regulations are so liberal that it makes little difference whether a rider is an amateur or professional. Riders can have all the benefits of commercial sponsorship while remaining amateurs, as demonstrated by Michael and John Whitaker, sponsored by Next, and key members of the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic team.

The one stumbling block in the FEI regulations is the ruling which prevents Olympic participation if a rider teaches other international riders.

Harvey Smith, the described the new ruling on Olympic eligibil-

ity as "just authorities saving their faces". He, along with David Broome and Malcolm Pyrah, turned professional in 1972 when Britain decided to put its house in order and make a divide between professionals and amateurs in the hope that other countries would follow suit.

The failure of the other countries to do so resulted in Britain's top riders being barred from the Olympics while most of the foreign top riders were still eligible.

Pyrah, who, together with Nick Skelton, would have been likely candidates for the Los Angeles Olympics had they not been professional, said yesterday from New York where he is competing with the British team, that he would consider taking up the option of becoming a non-professional if he had the right horse for the 1988 Olympics. But, in his view, this change "should have happened several years ago".

Whatever the riders' feelings about Britain's attitude towards shamanism over the last decade the latest change in the rules for Olympic participation has come about largely through the efforts of the British Equestrian Federation, who have made repeated representations to the FEI on behalf of the professional riders.

**TODAY'S FIXTURES**

**FOOTBALL**

CENTRAL LEAGUE First division: Aston Villa v Manchester City (7.30). FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Churston v Watford (8.0). Fourth qualifying round: Third replay: Southwick v Maidstone.

**OTHER SPORT**

BOWLS: CUS All angles championships (at Preston). SHOOTER: Dubai British Open qualifying tournament (at Conference Centre, Soham).

7.30 unless stated

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Considering how chest-puffing and backslapping Pioneers of the Future (Channel 4.8.03pm) is about the yesterday and today of the silicone chip and all its manifestations, it is rather strange that it is so cautious about what may happen tomorrow. As it is from the general forecast that it is in the micro-computer software area that the next chapter of high technology exploitation will be written, there is little to set the blood pounding through our veins beyond one expert's vision — he says it might happen in five years' time — when it could be a robot and not Sammy that pops through the cat-flap (no more mess on the carpets and no more claw-marks on the furniture), and electronics will take the flag out of mowing the lawn.

● Like *Barnacle Bill*, *The Horse's Mouth* (Chancellor, 9.30pm) is one of those Alec Guinness films we are always forgetting about. The reason could simply be that they just weren't worth remembering. What I remember most about *The Horse's Mouth* is that although Guinness, playing the disreputable painter Gully Jimson, was supposed to be the sole banner of the canvases, they were actually the work of John Brabley. What went wrong with the film, I think, was that Guinness chose to adapt Joyce Carr's book, himself, as well as write the script, and although he demonstrated that he knew how to do the former, he had more difficulty with the latter.

Clearly, not everyone shared my opinion, because the screenplay was nominated for a Hollywood Oscar. I was, however, pleased when I learned that Guinness's Guilely Jimson had run off with the Best Actor award at the 1938 Venice Film Festival.

● BBC Television's 50th anniversary celebrations continue with two corks tonight: a 1966 film of the Royal Ballet dancing *The Firebird* (BBC2, 8.20p) with Natalia Nierina in the title role; and Dennis Potter's unapologetic *Woman Resistant to the Hills* (BBC2, 9.30p), without precedent because in it the children's skins were filled with grown-up actors. It was a daring, and wholly successful, dramatic device that permitted Potter to make a host of fascinating

evening time slot when Radio 4 has long ago proved that there is an audience (admittedly not a vast one) for radio drama before noon.

● Tonight's City of Birmingham SO concert includes Shostakovich's Symphony No 13 (8.30, 8.30p); and Radio 4 has an important feature about suicide, *A Choice between Two Darknesses*, with a phone-in (7.40pm).

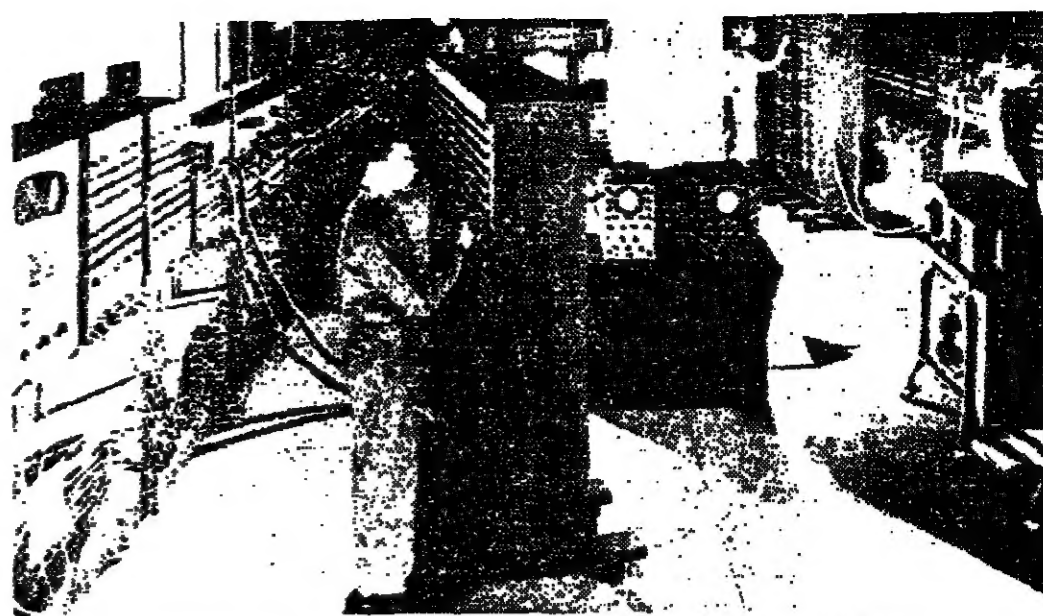
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ing points about the evolution of  
your character and mine.

● **Radio choice:** The Chekhov-one-act, 11.15am) fills 30 minutes so delightfully that it makes you ask why Radio 3 keeps restricting its drama output to the evening time slot when it could have long ago proved that there is an audience for anything but a vast one) for radio drama before noon

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**The world's first digital computer: Pioneers of the Future, Channel 4, 8.00pm**

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## VARIATIONS

6.00 **Casualty AM.**  
6.50 **Breakfast Time** with Frank Bough and Debbie Greenwood. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00.  
9.05 **Fifty Years On.** A 40 Minutes programme about a holiday in Bournemouth shared by 44 couples who all had one thing in common: they had been married for fifty years. (r) 8.45  
**Advice Shop.** Margo Macdonald with advice on welfare rights 10.00  
**Newsday.** (r)  
10.25 **Philip Schofield** with news of children's television programmes, and birthday greetings 10.30 **Play School.** 10.50 **Kenney's Week.** (r)  
10.55 **To Eleven.** Joanna Lumley with a thought for the day 11.00 **Food and Drink.** With a new series starting next week, highlights from the last series. 11.30 **Open Air.** Viewers comment on yesterday's television programmes 12.25 **Star Memories.** Fulton Mackay recalls his favourite television moments 12.55 **Regional news** and weather.  
1.00 **News** with Marty Lewis. Weather.  
1.25 **Neighbours.** Weekday soap set in Melbourne suburb 1.50 **Animal Fair** with Don Spencer.  
2.00 **Film: Tommy the Toreador** (1959) starring Tommy Steele. Musical comedy about a British seaman, stranded in Seville, who accidentally saves the life of a celebrated bullfighter. Directed by John Paddy Carstairs. 3.25 **Blanket's First Show.** The story of an appreciation horse's preparations for a show run by the British Appaloosa Society, accompanied by songs by Paul McCartney. (r)  
3.50 **Old Time and his Tea-Time.** Tony 4.10 **Laurie and Hardy.** Cartoon version 4.15  
Substation the Incredible Drawing Dog. Michael Barrymore with the story of The Prince Who Loved to Laugh. 4.20 **Beast the Teacher.** The third heat of the Champion of Champions for primary teachers quiz. 4.35 **Dungeons and Dragons.** (r)  
5.00 **John Craven's Newround** 5.15 **Blue Peter.** David Ellis tests Bonnie's skill at 'distant control'. (Ceefax)  
5.35 **Masterfarm** presented by Angela Ripston.  
6.00 **News with Sue Lawley** and Nicholas Witchell. Weather. 6.35 **London Plus.**  
7.00 **Top of the Pops** introduced by Stuart Powell and Steve Wright. **EastEnders.** Dr Lewis interviews a prospective locum; and Peta has a row with his ex-wife. (Ceefax)  
8.00 **Tomorrow's World.** Peter McCann tests a new type of irrefragable dinghy; Margie Philbin is in hot water in Iceland; Howard Stablerford investigates the recycling of Scottish whisky-making barrels; and there is news of a new form of body-imagery.  
8.30 **The Kenny Everett Television Show.** Comedy sketches from the clever funny man; and music with Hot Gossip. (Ceefax)  
9.00 **News** with John Humphrys and Philip Heydon. Regional news and weather.  
9.30 **All the Best - Dave Allen.** Highlights from the best of the Dave Allen at Large shows, chosen by the men himself.  
10.00 **Question Time.** In Sir Robin Day's panel this week are Paul Boateng, Jeremy Bulmore, John Redwood, and Polly Toynbee.  
11.00 **Championship Bowling.** Highlights of the first quarter-final of the CIS Insurance United Kingdom Indoor Singles Bowls Championship.  
11.30 **Rhodes.** Rhonda is paid a visit by an old friend she hasn't seen for 35 years. (r)  
11.55 **Weather.**

**9.00** *Cortez*  
**9.52** *Daytime on Two: A-level* students 10.15 *Science:* analysing 10.38 David Bellamy traces the impact of the car on society 11.00 *Thinkabout 11.18* Studying young children 11.40 An up-date to the 1980 programmes which introduced Belfast Roman Catholic and Protestant young people to each other.

**12.12** *Basic Spanish language skills* 12.30 *Basic French:* absolute beginners 12.45 *The properties of waves* 1.05 *French conversation course* 1.38 *Wish Industries* 2.00 *Wishes* to make one wish come true in winter 2.15 *The music of the street*.

**2.35** *Championship Bowling.* The CIS Insurance United Kingdom Indoor Rinkles Bowls Championship, introduced by David Icke from the Guild Hall, Preston. The commentators are David Rhys Jones and Jimmy Davidson. (includes regional news and weather at 3.55)

**5.30** *Film 86 with Barry Norman.* Ginger and Fred, and Ruthless People are reviewed.

**6.00** *What's My Line?* (presented by Eamonn Andrews. With Isabel Barnett, Gilbert Harding, Barbara Kelly, and Cyril Fletcher. (shown in November 1980)

**6.30** *2 Care starring James Ellis, Douglas Fielding, and Frank Windsor.* An episode from the successful police drama series. (shown in September 1978)

**7.30** *Bruce Forsyth and The Generation Game* with Anthea Radford (shown in November 1974)

**8.20** *The Royal Ballet in The Firebird.* A television version of the Russian fairy-tale ballet commissioned by Diaghilev in 1910, based on the Royal Ballet's production of 1954. With Nadia Nerina, Ronald Hynd, Franklin White and Piera Bergamas, artists of the Royal Ballet, and the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House, conducted by John Lanchbery. (shown in May 1956)

**8.00** *Mickey Pythorn's Flying Circus.* With, among others, John Cleese, Michael Palin, Eric Idle and Graham Chapman. (shown in October 1969)

**9.30** *Blue Remezeshed Hills.* by Jennie Potter. Starring Colin Welland, Michael Elphick, Robin Ellis, John Bird, Helen Mirren, Janine Duvetke, and Colin Jeavons. An award-winning play about seven children meandering through an extraordinary West Country summer's day in 1943. Directed by Brian Gibson.

**10.45** *Newsnight* with Peter Snow, Donald MacCormick and Nick Worrall

**11.30** *Late Night Line-up* with Joan Bakewell, Denis Tuohy, Michael Dean, and Tony Blackburn

**12.05** *Weather.*

**8.25** *Thames news headlines.*  
**9.30** *Schools:* the role of libraries and librarians 9.42 *The story of Christabel's Cream Bun* 9.54 *The importance of teeth and how to look after them* 10.11 *Excerpts from the feature film, It Shouldn't Happen to a Vet* 10.28 *Habit education* 10.45 *The effective use of microelectronics* 11.03 *Part one of Mr Magus is Waiting for You* 11.20 *The role of coal and oil in supplying energy for the home* 11.37 *How the West Used to Live: contrasting country life with that of the city.*

**12.00** *Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends.* (1) 12.18 *Puddle Lane.* Puppets, with Neil Innes, Richard Robinson, and Kate Lee 12.30 *The Sullivans.*

**1.00** *News with Leonard Patrick* 1.30 *Thames news*

**1.30** *Falcon Court.* 2.25 *Home Cookery Club.* Toad in the Hole.

**2.30** *Daytime.* Sarah Kennedy chairs a discussion on the significance of Remembrance Sunday. Among those taking part are General Sir Anthony Farrar-Hockley, Pippa Mannott of the Peace Pledge Union, and members of the War Widows Association.

**3.00** *Take the High Road.* 3.25 *Thames news headlines* 3.30 *Sons and Daughters* 3.50 *Films.* Part one of the story, *Norman the Doorman.* 4.10 *The Trap Door.* Cartoon series 4.20 *Animals in Action.* A fish from Java that uses a leaf in an odd way. 4.45 *Henry's Log.* The final episode of the drama serial, (Oracoe)

**5.15** *Blockbusters.*  
**5.45** *News* with Alastair Stewart 6.30 *Thames news*

**6.25** *Help! Viv Taylor Goe with details of the fourth Christmas Line, the 24 hour telephone information service over Christmas.*

**6.35** *Crossroads.* A skeleton appears from Nicole's past.

**7.00** *Emmerdale Farm.* Annie wants to give Sandle a piece of her



**Alec Guinness as Gully Jim**  
**crushes with the law: The H**

mind but Sandie's in no mood to listen.

**7.30 Film: Hitchhiker!** (1974) starring Colin Lauchman and Michael Brandon. Thruater about a woman driver who picks up a hitchhiker unaware that he is a murderer on the run. Directed by Gordon Hessler. (C)

**9.00 Gals on Top, Comedy series** about the lives of a fleet of women and their landlady. Starring Dawn French, Jennifer Saunders, Ruby Wax, and Joan Greenwood.

**9.30 The Arctic Where Hunger is a Weapon.** A report on the civil war in the Sudan during the filming of which the producer, Alan Stewart, was killed by a landmine explosion.

**10.00 News at Ten** with Alastair Burnet and Sandy Gall.

**10.30 Quincy.** The pathologist tries to persuade a school football player that he should quit the game but meets opposition from the boy's father, the school authorities, and the young man himself.

**11.30 The Business of Excellence.** Allen Kennedy, co-author of *The Corporate Culture*, imparts his ideas to an audience of top British business people.

**12.15 Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous.** Robin Leach in conversation with James Stewart.

**12.40 Night Thoughts.**

**TV AM**

**6.15 Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Rice and Richard Kaye. News with Gordon Horsman at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 7.45 and 8.17; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and John Barnett's postbag at 8.35. The After Nine guests include Claire Rayner, with advice on sex education for children; and Mike Yarwood.

**2.30** **Film: The Harvey Girls (1946)** starring Judy Garland. Musical about a group of waitresses who bring a touch of class to a Wild West town. With John Hodiak, Ray Bolger and Cyd Charisse, and featuring the Oscar-winning song, "On the Atchison, Topeka and the Santa Fe." Directed by George Sidney.

**4.20** **Countdown's Pop. Cartoon.**

**4.30** **Countdown.** Yesterday's winner of the words and numbers game is challenged by today's winner, John Wesley. Richard Whitley is the questionmaster.

**5.00** **Film: Abbott and Costello Meet the Mummy (1955)** Two ex-masters of the mummy mixed up with a living mummy and a various assortment of archaeologists searching for a sacred relic that holds the key to fortune. With Marie Windsor, Michael Ansara, and Dan Seymour. Directed by Charles Lamont.

**6.30** **World.** How are unions reacting to the increasing privatization of local government services? With Rodney Bickerstaffe, general secretary of NUGO.

**7.00** **Channel 4 News** with Trevor McDonald and Nicholas Owen.

**7.50** **Comment** from Margaret Quass, secretary of the Friends of Unesco Weather.

**8.05** **Future: Pioneers of the Future.** This week's edition of the science and technology series explores the microprocessor. Among those appearing are William Shockley who invented the transistor in 1947, and William Bushnell who, in 1972, produced the first electronic game. (See Choice)

**9.00** **Oh Madeline.** Domestic comedy series starring Madeline Kahn.

**9.30** **Film: The Horse's Mouth (1958)** starring Alec Guinness and Kay Walsh. A black comedy, adapted by Guinness from the novel by Joyce Cary, about a jilldroll artist who, released from prison, discovers that his paintings are all the rage but that he can't cash in on the fortune because his ex-wife has swindled him out of his share. The film marks on a series of swindles. Directed by Ronald Neame. (See Choice)

**11.15** **Rejoice.** The first of a new series celebrating faith with an unlikely mix of rock, traditional, folk and barbershop music. With singer and guitarist Garth Hewitt, singer Patricia Caffolla, the Newry Cathedral Choir and folk group Crossfire. Presented by Cathal Devine.

**11.40** **Relative Strangers.** Comedy series starring Matthew Kelly as the happy-go-lucky man who is suddenly lumbered with a son he never knew he had fathered. Tonight he has fathered difficulties. (7) Ends at 12.10.

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**Colin Welland plays Willie in Dennis Potter's award-winning play,**



**Alec Guinness as Gulley Jimson, an artist who specialises in brushes with the law: The Horse's Mouth (Channel 4 9.30pm)**

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## Radio 4

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see below)  
News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight  
5.30am Adrian John 7.20 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat (Steve Arnett) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Steve Arnett) 5.45 Bruno Brookes 7.30 Janice Long 9.00 City to City (musical tour of Newcastle) 10.00-12.00 Andy Kershaw. VHF Stereo Radios 1 & 2: -4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

**Radio 2**

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF

News on the hour. Headlines  
5.30am. 6.30, 7.30, 8.30. Sports  
Decks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02,  
5.05, 6.02, 8.45 (mt only), 3.55  
4.00am Colin Berry 5.30 Ray  
Moore 7.30 Derek Jackson 9.30  
Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young  
1.05pm Desi and Jacobs 2.00 Gloria  
Hunnicutt 3.00 David Hamilton  
5.00 John Dunn 7.00 Wally Whyton  
9.00 Rhythm and Blues 10.00  
The News Huddlines 10.30 Star  
Sound Cinema (film magazine)  
11.00 Brian Matthew 1.00am  
Cherries Nove 3.00-4.00 A Little  
Night Music.

**WORLD SERVICE**

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8.55 Weather: 7.00 Naves  
7.05 Concert: *Five Valses* (Valses) composed by Giuseppe Verdi.  
Gounod: *Partie symphonique* (concertante), Dvorak  
(Silent Woods: with Schiff, cellist), Podensic (Solo), and  
Tschick: Gabriel Tacchino,  
piano). 8.00 Naves  
8.05 Concert (continued):  
Tchaikovsky (Overture in C:  
Parley of Instruments),  
Alfonso Ferrablos (Fantasia: Anthony Rooley,  
Julius Hendl (English  
Anthem: Christopher  
Tipping, concert-leader,  
and Michael Parsons, bass),  
Bach (Brandenburg  
Concerto No 1: Linda  
Consort). 9.00 Naves  
9.05 Week's Composers:  
The Five: Borodin  
(Polovtsian March, Prince  
Igor), Rimsky-Korsakov  
(The Snow Maiden and  
the nightingale, and In  
the silence of the Night: with  
Gidon Kremer (violin),  
soprano), Baladire  
(Symphony No 1)  
10.00 John Glee: piano  
recital, first (Piano  
Suite), Debussy (Ballade:  
Dance)  
10.20 Concert: Ian Mc  
Dougal with foreign  
radio broadcasts, monitored  
by the BBC (r)  
10.50 Michael Emerson the  
violinist in a recording of  
Wieniawski's Violin Concerto  
No 2 (with Robin Del  
Orchestra of Philadelphia  
under Hirschberg)  
11.15 The Proposal: short play  
by Chekhov. With  
Corrella Ritoran, Stephen  
Grennan and Michael  
Duffy  
11.45 BBC Welsh SO (under  
Howard Williams). With  
Juli Gomez (soprano).  
Pauitnik (concerto  
festivo), Janacek (Cunning  
Lullabies suite, and  
Tach). Missions (Poems  
pour M.). 1.00 Naves  
1.05 Bristol Lunchtime  
Concert: Llan Kat  
John Wendenstons  
(various serieses, Op 54).  
Haydn (Sonata inn F, F  
XV123), Beethoven  
(Sonata in A flat, Op 110)  
2.00 The Story of a Royal Mart:  
Prokofiev's last opera,  
sung in Russian. Bolshoi  
Theatre Orchestra and  
Chorus (under Mark Emler).  
Decadists Nikolai,  
Domodova, Kurguzov and  
roles), Pankov, Shuplin,  
Migula, and Smirnov.  
On record:  
4.00 Talcos Strung Quartet:  
Schumann (Quartet in F,  
Op. No 2), Bartok (Quartet  
No 3). 4.55 Naves  
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure:  
recorded music. Presented by  
Richard Baker  
6.30 Bandstand: London  
Collegiate Brass play  
Harrison Birtwistle's  
Elginthorpe Aria, and  
Graham Howarth's in  
Memorial R.K. The  
band is conducted by John  
Clark.  
7.00 A Little About You,  
Yosip: Ronald Piggot  
reads the story by Igor  
Pomerantsev. The  
English translation is by  
Francis Williams  
7.30 City of Birmingham SO  
(under Dikko Marks), with  
BBC SO Men's Chorus. City  
of Birmingham Chorus,  
and Nikita Storozov (bass). Part  
one. Schubert  
(Symphony No 5)  
8.00 One Pair of Ears: the  
week's radio music. With  
Brian Budden  
8.20 Concert (cont):  
Shostakovich (Symphony  
No 13)  
9.25 Million Years: hair  
recital). Includes works by  
Hasselmans (Etude de  
concert, Le source), Nino  
Roni (Serenade and  
Toccata), Jesus Guridi  
(Viejo Zortico), and Carlos  
Salzedo (Chanson dans  
la nuit)  
10.00 Music in our Time:  
recordings of Russian  
music. Includes works by  
Nicola Karentnikov  
(Lento variations, Op 11,  
played by Andrew Ball,  
piano), Edison Denisenko (the  
cantata Sun of the Seas,  
with Nell Li, soprano and  
Ensemble of Soloists of  
the Bolshoi), and Sofia  
Gubaryulina  
(Concertenza for chamber  
orchestra, Ensemble of  
Soloists of the Bolshoi)  
11.00 First Night: Howard  
Janecsen gives his  
verdict on Toms of Money at  
the Lytton Theatre  
11.10 Schumann and Bridge:  
Raphael Walling (cello)  
and Peter Walling (piano).  
Schumann (Five Pieces  
in a Folk Style), Bridge  
(Sonata), 11.55 Naves  
12.00

On long wave, (s) Stereo on VHF:  
5.55 Shipping, 6.00 News Briefing;  
Weather, 6.10, 6.25, 6.45, 6.55  
Today 6.25 Prayer for the  
Day (s), incl 6.30, 7.30,  
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30,  
6.30 News, 6.45  
Business News, 6.55, 7.55  
Weather, 7.00, 8.00  
6.55 7.25, 6.25, 6.25, 7.45  
Thought for the Day, 8.35  
Yesterday in Parliament,  
8.57 Weather; Travel  
9.00 News  
9.05 In Business, The  
business world, surveyed  
by Peter Smith (r)  
9.30 News  
Reviews of, and reports  
on, radio programmes. With  
John Taylor.  
Contributors include Brenda  
Dean and Sarah Dunant.  
10.00 News: Medicine Now  
10.00 The Watts report on  
the health of medical care (s)  
10.30 Morning Story, A Penny  
in the Day by John  
Millar. Read by Ralph Riach  
10.45 An Act of Worship (s)  
11.00 News: Travel; Analysis.  
Unemployment be-  
lieven? Richard Layard,  
Professor of Economics at  
the London School of  
Economics, defends his  
thesis on how  
unemployment can be  
reduced in conversation with  
Patrick Minford.  
Professor of Applied  
Economics at Liverpool  
University (r)  
11.45 Tales of Long Ago.  
Howie Firth with legends  
told under light and past.  
Today with the Evening  
Breeze.  
12.00 News: You and Yours.  
Newer action on  
12.27 Round Britain Quiz.  
Nationwide general  
knowledge contest. Irene  
Thomas and Eric Kent  
John Collins, Norwich  
and Peter Oppenheimer  
(r) 12.55 Weather  
1.00 The World at One: News  
1.40 The Archers, 1.55  
The World Forecast  
2.00 News: Woman's Hour.  
Includes a special report  
on reintegrated menstruation  
1.30 News: The Afternoon  
Play. The Duwells by  
Peter Markham dramatized  
from Huxley's Crome  
Yellow. Cast includes David  
Pinner and Claret  
Faulconbridge (s) 4.00 News  
4.05 Bookshelf, Susan Hill  
presents the books

Buchart, Hoy Strang and  
John Parker  
Kaleidoscope, A second  
chance to hear last  
night's edition.  
5.00 News magazine  
5.50 Shipping Forecast, 5.55  
Weather  
6.00 News: Financial Report  
6.30 News: The Archers  
and Truthful, Honest  
Jarvis and Christopher  
Goodwin star in a comedy  
series sat in an advertising  
agency (s) (r) 7.00 News  
7.05 The Archers  
7.20 Any Answers? Letters  
sent in by listeners in  
response to last week's Any  
Questions  
7.40 The Archers  
Between Two  
Darknesses, Jenni Mills  
explores suicide through the  
testimony of people  
tormented by it, and invites  
calls on 01-580 4411 (s)  
(tens open 6.10 to 9.0pm)  
9.00 News: The Archers  
Magazine for disabled  
listeners and their families  
9.30 John Ebdon with  
recordings from the BBC  
Sound Archives  
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes  
comment on Tony  
Money at the Lytle and  
Artis Centre at Glasgow  
Civic Centre  
10.15 Shock on Bedtime: A Bit  
of a Do by David Nobbs  
(s). Read by John Rowe  
10.30 The World Tonight  
10.35 The Financial World  
Tonight  
11.30 Today in Parliament  
11.30 News: weather, 12.33  
Shipping Forecast  
VHF (available in England and  
S Wales only) as above  
weather, 5.55-6.00pm  
Weather: Travel, 9.05-  
10.45 For Schools, 9.05  
Preview 9.06 An  
Assembly for Schools, 9.30  
Secondary English, 11-  
14 (s) 9.55 First Steps in  
Drama (s) 10.15  
Something to Think about  
10.25 Talk to a Sports  
Star (s), 11.00-12.00 For  
Schools: 11.00  
Notebook 11.05 in the  
News, 11.30 Wavelength (s),  
1.15-3.00pm For  
Schools: 1.55 Listening  
Corner, 2.05 The Song Tree  
(s) 2.20 Living Language  
2.40 Newcast, 5.55-5.55 PM  
(continued), 12.30  
1.00am Schools Night-time  
Broadcasting: Radio  
History 11.14: History

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